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NAT FLEISCHER

Speaks Out!!!

AMERICAN sport lovers always are interested keenly in all phases of our Olympic effort, with concentration on track and field and a growing concern with the boxing programme.

The way things shape up, our boxing representatives at Tokyo in the Fall will give a fine account of themselves. Seven of the ten winners of the finals in the tryouts are members of the services. The general quality is high, the spirit of aggressiveness and determination is splendid.

Avery Brundage, our Olympic chairman, approaches the question of Oympic competition in boxing with a super-Corinthian policy. He wants all of our Olympic fighters to promise not to turn pro, ever.

Many of them will turn, nevertheless. The apotheosis of success in boxing lies not in the amateur ranks but in the company of the pros. And not always do they turn pro because of financial considerations. They want to find out just how good they are.

Keeping all this in mind, we are intensely interested in what our Olympic showing will reveal.

Now, more than ever before, does professional boxing around the world, especially in the USA, look to Tokyo. How strongly recruited will the pro ranks be through the international competitions.

Olympic success has been especially important for us because both Cassius Clay and Floyd Patterson went on to the world heavyweight championships after spectacular triumphs in the Rome and Helsinki Olympic games.

Do the ranks of the 1964 Olympians hide another Clay or Patterson? Is world boxing to get a big impetus through Olympic achievements?

It is of the greatest importance that with boxing so derived in so many places, fistic competition is on the Olympic programme. It has international dignity and respect.

In both Rome and Melbourne, the boxing arenas were the daily gathering places of larger crowds than for any other sport except track and field competition. I know, because I was in attendance at every match and was kept busy both in the afternoon and night sessions.

Why this interest? Because of the expected thrills and the keen rivalry between the countries behind the Iron Curtain and those of the Free World. That interest will be keener this year at Tokyo, where more nations than ever before will be taking part in the international competition.

In Italy, where there are more professional boxers than in any other country, several hundred boys, under the supervision of government trainers, are in State Camps tuning up for the Olympic games. There are upward of 4000 amateur boxers competing in Russia and many times that number in Poland.

But in the United States, where no government aid is sought by the American Olympic Committee, and where those seeking a place on our team are on their own, we had to depend largely on service men and collegians because of the failure of our leading athletic clubs to furnish any talent for the tryouts.

Despite this handicap, Uncle Sam will place a boxing team in the Tokyo arena better in all-around ability than we did in Rome in 1960. Pity, however, that such little interest has been displayed both in boxing and other fields by the big organizations which hitherto played so important a part in building up American Olympic prestige, and now are content to sit by and let "George do it." They are reduced to social entities and athletic nonentities.

The British are having a tough time putting together a formidable combination such as they had in previous Olympics. Likewise France and West Germany. However, since the East and West Germans will compete as one team, the Teutons will enter a group that should set off some fireworks, especially in the three lower divisions.

As for France, it lacks the talent to be given much consideration. Poland and Russia loom as the rivals the American contingent will have to battle for top places.

APOLOGY

In our issue for December 1963 we described the activities in British Boxing of a mysterious Mr. X. It has been suggested to us that Mr. X might be understood to be Mr. Jarvis Astaire. We never intended to refer to Mr. Astaire and we apologize to him for any embarrassment or inconvenience he may have been caused.

BREAK UP TROUBLEMAKING WBA

By

DAN DANIEL

Edward Lassman, President of the World Boxing Association, takes time away from boxing and his restaurant business to talk to actress Jayne Mansfield. The occasion was his receipt of an award for work on behalf of the Children's Asthma Research Institute and Hospital.

IN 1921 the National Boxing Association was organized in New York. At the 1962 convention in Tacoma, the name was changed to the World Boxing Association. The effort to extend the sphere of influence geographically was accompanied by no achievement in the direction of more respected authority. Nor has there been any improvement in this direction since the Tacoma get-together.

When the WBA was set up forty-three years ago boxing was thriving everywhere. There was no widespread belief that the sport needed a volunteer national body, especially one minus administrative, punitive or regulatory strength.

However, there was no coordinated opposition to the new association, which announced impressive aims, a tremendously important-looking agenda, and a resolve to do a hundred things which somehow failed of achievement.

Quite a few commissions joined the NBA. It looked like the right thing to do. However, if a commission wanted a fight and the NBA had some objection, the routine action was for the commission to resign. After a time many of these protesting agencies came back. It became a game of "go in and out the window."

The NBA stumbled and fumbled along, making errors galore. Many of its officers went in strong for self aggrandizement. Many played up their positions for such perquisites as promoter-paid junkets abroad.

This serious abuse continues to this day. Vide the trip of Edward Lassman, president of the WBA, and Ramon Velasquez, WBA International Coordinator, to Ghana to act as judges in the recent much discussed Sugar Ramos-Floyd Robertson fight.

Recently the position of the World Boxing Association, so called, has become so wide-open to criticism that its right to existence has been questioned.

It would appear that the best way for the WBA to solve its numerous crowding, perplexing and highly embarrassing problems would be to go out of business, quietly and most emphatically.

Given a chance to make the wrong decision about anything, it's ten to one the WBA will veer away from logic and the right move.

These are tough times in boxing. Never before in its forty-three years' history has the WBA faced so acute a need for the proper decisions, for the beneficial course, for the unbiased policy, for meticulous adherence to rules and regulations, and unwritten guides to right thinking.

Boxing shouts, "Be careful, now more than ever. Don't do anything to destroy public confidence. Don't become involved in bad publicity. Don't let WBA officials go abroad to act as judges in fights, their expenses paid by the promotion.

"More than ever, be on the lookout for hoodlums, phonies, men of bad repute. Keep them on the outside."

So what happens? A former unadmired manager of Sonny Liston is a member of his entourage at Miami Beach, and Edward Lassman and Ramon Velasquez go to Accra, Ghana, at the expense of the Ghana Boxing Authority, to act as judges in a fight which starts a riot and brings more obloquy to the WBA.

A catalogue of the mistakes of the WBA in the last five years would take far more space than The Ring Magazine could afford to devote to the damning list.

If the WBA refuses, as it certainly will, to follow the easy solution of going out of business, it has got to adopt a new system of elections. It has to abandon its system of succession and must comb its membership for the best possible eligibles, not on a basis of politics, and in a determination to stop making a laughing stock of itself.

Just before Dr. Charles P. Larson retired as president of the WBA last year he introduced a resolution barring officers and other officials of the association from acting as judges or "overseers" of fights, especially abroad.

This resolution was passed viva voce. But it wasn't long before it was disregarded and flouted.

The WBA has got to make it most emphatic that anybody connected with it may not be a judge in a fight anywhere, and may not accept all-expense tours to fights in Ghana, Thailand, Japan, the Philippines and other inviting areas.

The Ring Magazine's investigation into the junket abuse has brought out distressing facts which are strongly accusatory and hardly loaded with the attars of roses. The junket mess stinks.

Never should it be possible for the promotion of a fight to make the charge issued so damnably in Ghana after the Ramos-Robertson imbroglio.

The Ghana Boxing Authority insisted that judges Lassman, president of the WBA, and Velasquez, WBA International Coordinator, "were forced on us."

Who did the forcing and how?

Never should it be possible for the president of the WBA to announce that he plans to take the title away from the heavyweight champion of the world, an odd, unsupported and inexplicable manoeuvre which Lassman said he would adopt against Cassius Clay.

The WBA-NBA has had many fine executives. Abe Greene, current Commissioner, is one. Harvey Miller, Washington, D.C., Fred Saddy, Wisconsin, Dr. Larson, of the state of Washington, Joe Triner, Illinois, and George Barton, Minnesota, also did their jobs well. Some of the others, however, had better not be mentioned.

The association never has had an executive from New York, and for this there is an excellent reason. The Walker Law, under which boxing is conducted in that state, does not permit its commission to become involved in any associations or groups like the WBA. Those who set up the law were men of vision.

Who is Edward Lassman, whose incredible mistakes have got the WBA into so many tangles?

Lassman is a member of the Miami Beach Commission. He is one of the owners of Wolfie's, a well known restaurant in that resort.

Editorial allusions to Lassman's qualifications in the direction of lox and bagel, pastrami and rye bread, and corned beef and pickles, tracing to his association with the restaurant, are neither fair nor germane. Many a great fighter has been connected with a restaurant.

The rise of the Dundees, Chris and Angelo, as managers and promoters helped to lift Miami Beach into fistic prominence, and rubbed off on Lassman.

Cassius Clay and trainer Angelo Dundee had a good laugh when Lassman announced that WBA would take away his title. This hot potato was dropped pronto.

The Dundees have world champions Willie Pastrano, light heavyweight, and Sugar Ramos, featherweight title holder. They have other estimable fighters and operate in a resort area which is very active during the winter months.

As a member of the Miami Beach Commission, Lassman achieved a certain prominence by osmosis. He was no shrinking violet before the Clay-Liston fight in Miami Beach last February. He was left lacking a lot of desirable answers after the fight, when he announced that he was going to take Clay's title away from him.

This drew attention away from the fact that Liston's condition and training for the fight was not watched by the Commission as it should have been.

Lassman must have known that he could not take anybody's championship away from him. He stirred up a brouhaha which got him into the papers, in no favorable light.

Not long thereafter Lassman appeared before the Hart Committee in Washington. His stature was not increased by this adventure.

More recently Lassman went to Ghana to be a judge in the Ramos defense against Robertson, a No. 4 rated contender among the featherweights, native of Ghana.

Robertson put up a terrific fight. Jack Hart, referee brought in from London, voted for the challenger. Lassman and Velasquez voted for Ramos. There were some turbulent scenes at the ringside. Ghana insisted Ghana had won. There were anti-US demonstrations, a lot of junk about capitalistic Yankees in a Commy country.

The Ghana Authority refused to respect Lassman and Velasquez as judges and called it no contest. Later it decided that Robertson had won and called on all commissions to recognize Robertson the champion. This nobody has done outside of Ghana.

Lassman and Velasquez were right, or they were wrong. But, right or wrong, their decision has to be respected as an honest evaluation of the fight.

However, what were Lassman and Velasquez doing as judges in that world championship fight in Accra? How could they have been so ill-advised? How could they have got themselves so involved?

Lassman's son, in Miami Beach, was quoted as having asked, "Don't you think my father showed a lot of guts going to Africa after that Clay business?" The answer is, "YES!"

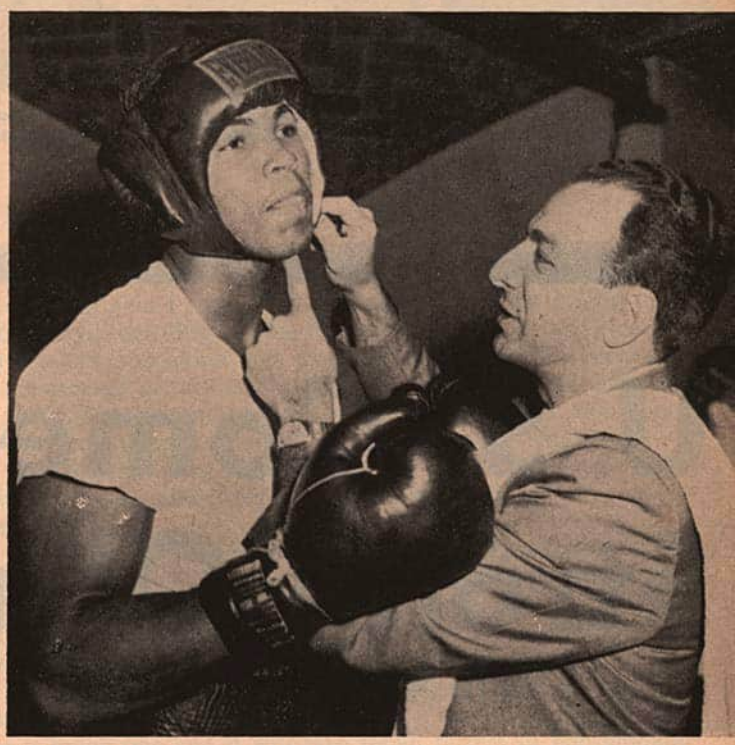
Lassman in particular gave the WBA a black eye with that Ghana adventure.

He had made a previous junket at promotion's expense when he went to the Pone Kingpetch fight with Hiroyuki Ebihara in Thailand in January, as an "overseer." That was the fight in which Pone recovered the world flyweight championship.

One of the judges was WBA Executive Secretary Archie Hindman.

The promotion lost $13,000. The expenses of Lassman and Hindman didn't help the financial report.

Concerning Lassman's going to Ghana as a judge, we have quite a few emphatic bits of criticism.



Said Harry Markson, of New York's Garden, long a WBA backer and contributor, "Lassman never had been a judge before. He is strictly a political boxing official. He became president of the WBA by right of succession. It was an outrage that he was permitted to be a judge in the Ramos-Robertson fight.

"The case would have a parallel if Ford Frick, the baseball commissioner, announced that he planned to be an umpire at the plate in the World Series.

"Lassman's appearance as a judge did much to impair the integrity of boxing."

Lassman kept shrieking about his strict and honest evaluation of the fight, always ignoring the only important fact—that he had no business being a judge.

Bob Evans, treasurer of the WBA, blasted Lassman, whose acting as a judge he called "deplorable," The Louisville banker sent a letter of criticism to all fellow members of the Executive Committee of the WBA.

What is wrong with the WBA apart from more recent mistakes listed?

The association and many of its leading officials fail to recognize what is going on in world boxing. They are not alive

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The newly crowned Olympic tryout winners line up with Brooklyn's Sam Mosberg, who won the Olympic Lightweight title in Antwerp in 1920. Left to right are Mosberg, Buster Mathis, Harley Cooper, Jimmy Rosette, Toby Gibson, Maurie Frilot, Charley Ellis, Ron Harris, Charley Brown, Lou Johnson and Bobby Carmody.

U. S. Comes Up With Strong Olympic Squad

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By NAT FLEISCHER

Seven of ten winners in finals service men,—156 pound Toby Gibson most impressive.

"Congratulations, Champ!", Charley Brown (featherweight) on the left, and Ron Harris (lightweight) exchange pleasantries in the dressing room after their victories.

Bobby Carmody, representing the Army, a Brooklyn lad, lands a long right to the jaw of Melvin Miller, of Fairview, Montana, in the second round. Carmody won by keeping the pressure on his foe during all three rounds. (Right) The new star waves to the crowd, including members of his family, as his trainer Ken Miura beams happily.

AMERICA's chances for carrying off several Olympic championships in boxing gained strength in the official U.S. tryouts in the open air Singer Bowl at New York's World Fair.

The twenty finalists who competed for the right to represent the Stars and Stripes in the Tokyo Games that get under way on October 10, were the survivors of a group of 64, champions from the Amateur Athletic Union, the Golden Gloves tournaments, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and East and West regional tryouts.

As had been expected, the team going to Tokyo will be composed mostly of service men. Of the ten who gained Olympic berths, seven are servicemen. The three day trials to decide the membership ended on a chilly night in the Singer Bowl in action-packed contests that produced only one knockout but plenty of thrilling moments.

Master Sergeant Freddy Lenn, Olympic Coach, said, "This team will give a very good account of itself. It's a solid team from flyweight through the heavyweight class. It will give our rivals hot opposition and should at least equal the record of our average in the last three Olympics—three victories."

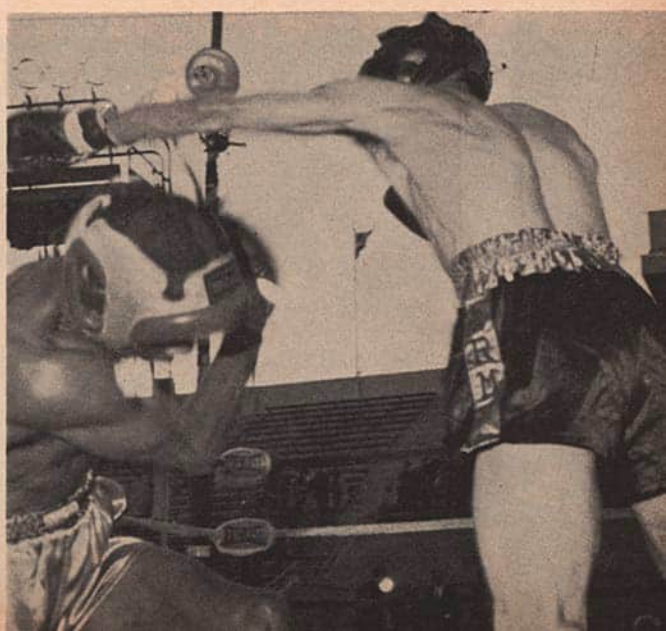
The United States, with 24 gold medals, has won more Olympic boxing championships than any other nation.

It appears logical to expect the ten winners of the finals to be named on the Tokyo team. However, there are possible exigencies.

Fifteen alternates have been designated. These and the ten final winners will get together at Hamilton Air Base in California on September 1 and start intensive training. It may be that on the form displayed in these workouts an alternate or two will displace a finals winner.

In any event, the ten men who won at the World Fair cannot afford to let up for a day. The job ahead of the team is a tough one and it will take tough boxers of consummate

(Left) Lou Johnson relaxes between the second and third rounds of his bantamweight bout with Nick Spanakos, of the Army and Brooklyn. (Right) Johnson, from Portland, Oregon, representing Bolling AFB Base, dodges under a long left in the final round, as a last ditch rally by Nick falls short.



Marine Charley Brown (left) and Herb Dolloson, of Bolling AFB and Jacksonville, Fla., slug it out in the third and final round of their featherweight bout that was won by the Detroit boxer on a close vote. (Above) Brown is a happy but tired warrior as his gloves are removed. This bout was the only one that drew booes from the crowd when the verdict was announced. It was a close, hard-fought struggle.

Schoolboy Ron Harris, of Detroit, takes a jolting left hook from Sailor Bobby Valdez, of San Luis, Colorado, in the first round of their lightweight bout. The 17 year old Harris outfought his older and more experienced foe in a slam-banger that won the cheers of the crowd.

class to beat off the Russkies and the rest of that field.

The main fault with the program was the fact that the bouts were not fought under the same conditions that the boys will have to face in Tokyo.

The bouts were fought with the boxers wearing headguards and using ten ounce gloves. In Japan they will fight without the guards and with eight ounce gloves, and these are the conditions that should have been followed here.

Toby Gibson, light middleweight of Spokane, Washington (156 pounds), and Buster Mathis, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 295 pound heavyweight, appear to be the best of the squad which will make the trip to Japan.

Gibson achieved the lone knockout in the finals. Mathis, with his 298 pounds—the heaviest yet for an Olympic contestant, despite his failure to show heavy hitting power, indicated that with fast hands, boxing skill and uncanny speed for one of his tremendous proportions, he will be a tough one to beat in October's international competition.

Gibson is the most impressive puncher of the American contingent. The 21 year old sociology major at Eastern Washington State College, has enough power to make him a standout. He is the outstanding member of Uncle Sam's team. The National A.A.U. champion, who climaxed his career to date with his splendid performance in the Singer Bowl, knocked out Ray Owens, of Fort Campbell, Army champion, in 43 seconds of the third round for a perfect record in the World Fair tryouts.

Gibson had flattened all three opponents in the trials. His record now stands 65 victories and four defeats, with a string of ten consecutive knockouts. He had played no favorites with Army, Navy and civilian foes in his rise to the top.

Mathis, a 19 year old sign painter, nosed out Joe Frazier, 20 year old Philadelphian. Frazier, who had knocked out two opponents to get into the final round, found the weight of his opponent too big a handicap. There was a difference of 100

Charley Ellis (right), of the Army, and Jodi Harris, of Bolling Air Force, spar cautiously during the opening round of the light-welter weight scrap. Ellis, from Louisville, used his height and reach to good advantage. (Right) Dr. Samuel Sweatnick examines Ellis after the fight. Charley, a good boxer, has the classic Olympic style.

Frilot is a tired but happy leatherneck as he leaves the ring after his victory. On his way to the victory he scored upset triumphs over Wade Smith as well as Valdez.

Blood drips from the noses of both Jesse Valdez (left) and Maurice Frilot as they swap punches in the final round. Maurice, a lefthanded Marine from Camp Pendelton, Calif., surprised by outpointing the 16 year old schoolboy from Houston, Texas, in a close and exciting contest.

Rated by many as top hope for a U.S. title in Tokyo, College student Toby Gibson, of Spokane, Wash., waves for THE RING Cameraman following his kayo of Ray Owens, of Ft. Campbell, Ky. (Below) The hard hitting Gibson, who scored three straight knockouts in the trials, lands a hard left to the jaw of Owens seconds before the K.O. in the third round.

pounds.

The hard hitting Quaker City boy tossed many powerful wallops to the body and head of the National AAU champion, who cleverly backed away and retaliated with stiff, short jabs and sharp hooks.

Several one-two shots to Mathis' jaw shook him but he seemed indestructible and won the unanimous decision, 59-55, 59-58 and 60-57. The referee had no vote.

Many booed the verdict because Frazier carried the fight to his king-size rival, but the verdict was a fair one. It was a good fight.

Another boxer who caught the eyes of the experts as a possible Olympic winner, was Charley Ellis, Eighth Infantry Division, Europe. Charley, brother of Jimmy, a professional, was impressive in outpointing Jodie Harris, Bolling AFB, Portland, Oregon, in a hot tussle. The winner, competing in the light welterweight class (140 pounds), will have a lot of Yankee support in Japan.

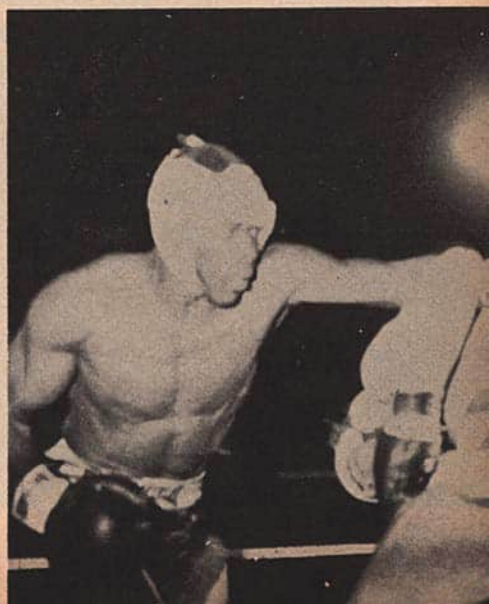
Ron Harris, competing in the lightweight sector, (132.5 pounds), and Maurice Frilot, Camp Pendleton, California, welterweight, winner of the All-Marines championship the last four years, showed considerable class in gaining wins in the finals. Frilot won the decision over Jesse Valdez, of Houston, Texas and Harris outpointed Bobby Valdez of San Luis, Colorado.

Harris is a high school student. He won his opening bout with a one round kayo and has an over-all record of 28-4. He is only seventeen years old, the youngest member of the squad.

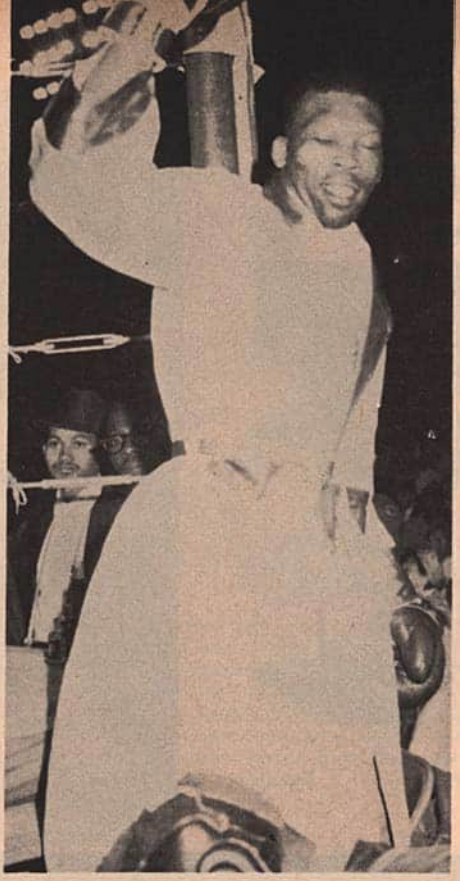
Frilot is a Marine and a southpaw. Harris' triumph was his tenth consecutive victory.

The defeat of Jesse Valdez, Texas schoolboy, was a surprise. He had won the outstanding trophy in the National AAU tournament in Las Vegas in April.

For some of the 20 fighters who took part in the 1964 tryout



World Welterweight Champion Emile Griffith (left) one of the interested spectators, offers congratulations to Middleweight winner Jimmy Rosette while trainer Jesse King looks on. (Right) Sailor Rosette, of San Diego Air Base, lands a long left to the head of Martin Berzewski, an Air Force man from Seattle, Wash., in the second round. The boys mixed it up throughout with Rosette's steadier attack winning.



(Above) Harley Cooper lands a stiff right to the jaw of Bob Christopherson in the third round of the light heavyweight bout between these two members of the Air Force. Cooper, of Omaha, defeated Christopherson, of Minneapolis, in a hard fought bout. (Right) Harley, a veteran of many amateur and service bouts, is a happy hombre as can be seen as he waves to the crowd on leaving the ring.

...AND THEN CAME THE HEAVYWEIGHTS

The bulk of 19 year old Buster Mathis, of Grand Rapids, Mich., can be clearly seen in this photo. His 52 inch chest and ample 44 inch waist attest to his size.

finals, the tests continued those started by them in 1960, for the Rome Olympics.

One of these, Nick Spanakos of Brooklyn, a 25 year old bantamweight, who was eliminated in Rome in the first round, failed to make the 1964 team. He was beaten by Lou Johnson, an Air Force boxer from Portland, Ore. in the finals. Nick was passed over when the alternates were selected. His place was taken by Arthur Jones, also of the Air Force, from Augusta, Ga.

The only other runner-up to be passed by in the naming of the alternates, was light middleweight Owens, champion of the Army.

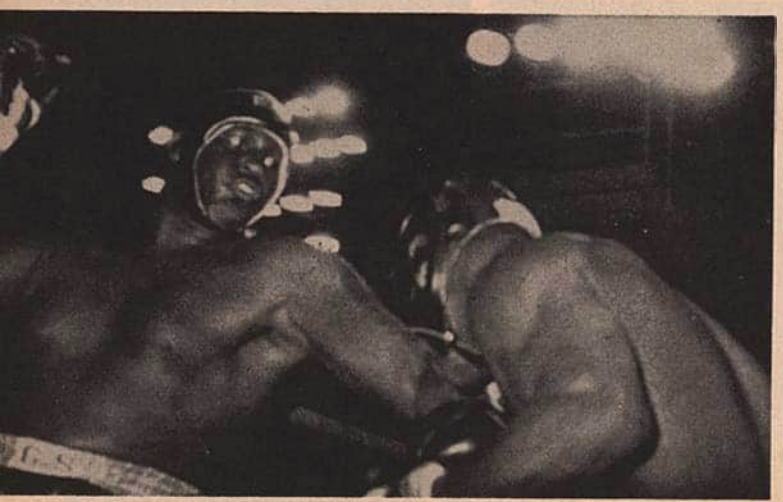
Along with Gibson and Mathis, our best bets in Tokyo appear to be 17 year old high school student Harris and Ellis. Ellis showed a good jab and has the stand-up style that usually attracts in the Olympics.

One of the closest bouts was the welterweight championship between 16 year old Jesse Valdez of Houston, and All-Marine champion Frilot. They battled it out all the way, and both bled from the nose during the final two rounds. Maurice's steadier attack carried him to victory.

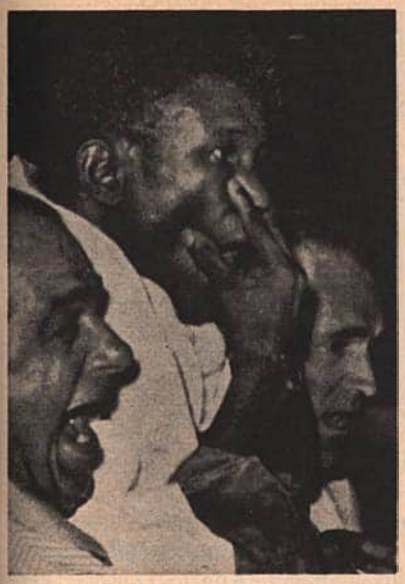
It could turn out to be a blessing in disguise as Jesse, a tall lad, is at the growing age and already has been troubled by weight making. We would not be surprised to see him in Tokyo in the middleweight class, as with the added poundage he probably would rate ahead of Sailor Jimmy Rosette of San Diego, who outscored Martin Berzewski, an Air Force man from Seattle, Wash. in a hard fought scrap.

The light heavyweight final was an all-Air Force battle between Harley Cooper of Omaha, Nebraska, and Bob Christopherson, of Minneapolis. Cooper, like most of the service boxers in the field, is a veteran.

The lower classes, in which we have produced only one winner (Nate Brooks, flyweight *(Continued on page 48)*



(Left) "Little" Joe Frazier, 195 pound Philadelphian, cocks his right before landing on the side of Buster's head. The nimble 298 pound behemoth outboxed and outspeeded his smaller foe to capture the verdict and the fancy of the crowd. (Right) Buster, who is the biggest man to represent the U.S. in boxing, rests in his corner before the final round. Although he carries a lot of excess weight his remarkable speed will make him an outstanding bet in Tokyo.



A happy champion, Emile is lifted high in triumph by Chris Jackmann (left) and Gil Clancy.

GRIFFITH EYES GIARDELLO . . .

By NAT FLEISCHER

LAS VEGAS, Nevada—The curtain went down on Madison Square Garden's nationally televised Gillette boxing championship programs with the retention of the world welterweight title by Emile Griffith in the Convention center here. For the third time in their series, twice in title bouts, Emile gained a split decision over Luis Rodriguez, Cuban expatriate now residing in Miami.

Rodriguez won the crown from Emile in Los Angeles by unanimous decision, lost it to the former Virgin Islander in New York by a 2 to 1 verdict and came close to regaining the throne in the local engagement.

It was so close, that had Luis not lost one point for committing a foul in the third round, the official score would have been a draw.

The farewell to TV championship matches was a well fought, keenly contested bout though it lacked spectacular interludes.

As had been predicted, it ended in another disputed verdict. Referee Harry Krause and Judge John Romero each voted for Emile, 69-67 and 70-68 respectively, while the dissenting vote was cast by Federal Judge David Zenoff, 71 to 70. Judge Zenoff, as in other fights in which he has officiated, tabbed many rounds even. He had eight of the fifteen chalked up 5 to 5.

The Ring's tally was similar to that of the referee, 69 to 67, favoring the defending title holder.

It was Griffith's ninth championship fight and the third for his opponent.

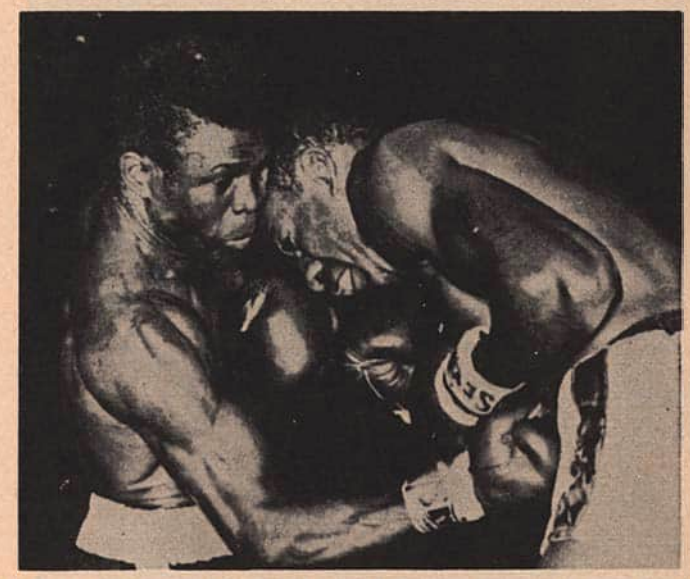
Winner and loser are now eager to move into the middleweight class with a fight for the crown with Joey Giardello as the objective.

"I would like to have Teddy Brenner get me Giardello," Griffith told me. *"There's no one in the welter class who can draw enough to make it worth my efforts to defend against him."*

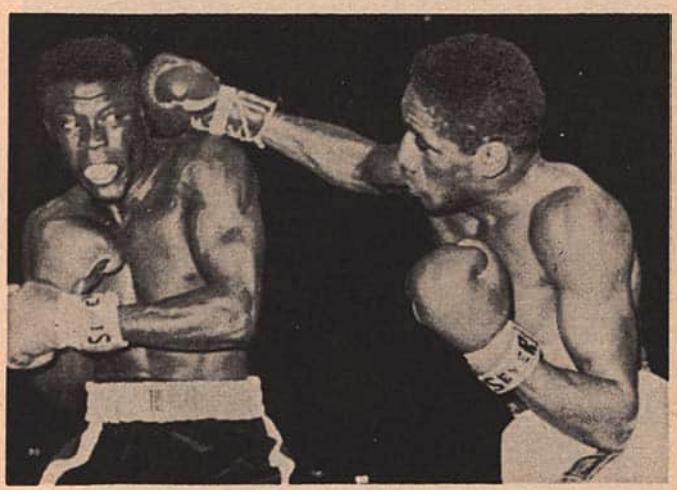
Brenner, listening in, remarked: *"I think both Rubin Carter, who stopped you with one punch in the first round, and Joey Archer, each deserves a chance at Giardello before you. I think your best bet is to stay in the welterweight class. There are several good boys you can meet."*

With that, Teddy named Joe Stable, Jose Torres and Brian Curvis among the eligibles. Both Brenner and Harry Markson, Garden promoter, would like to start the Fall season, when fights go off TV, with Stable or Torres in a championship match with Emile, to test public reaction to elimination of the home televised bouts.

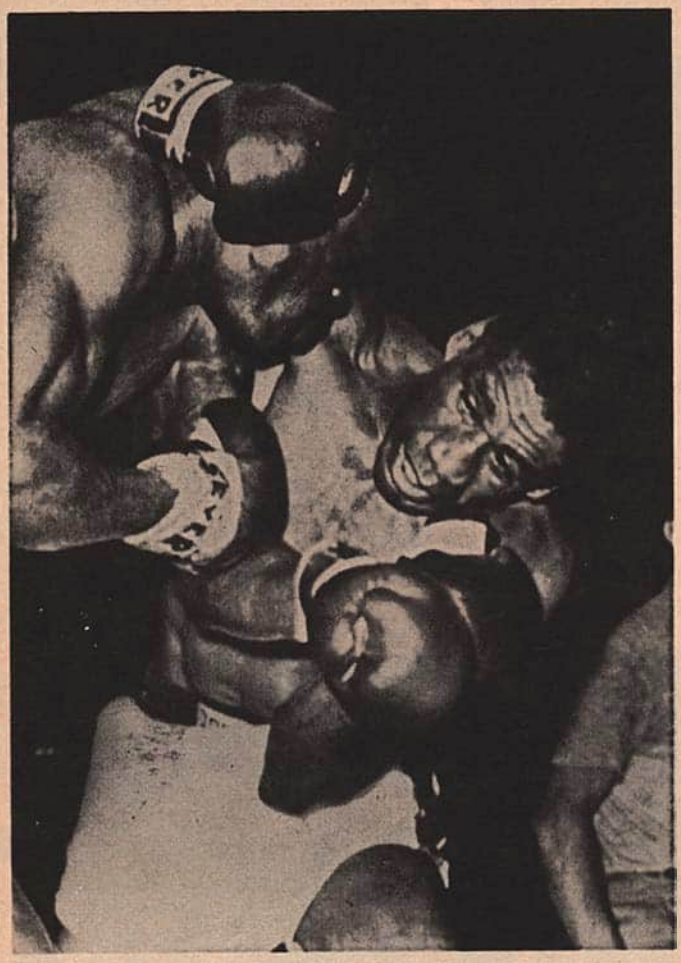
"If the price is right and we can get what Griffith is entitled to, we will accept either opponent", replied Howard Albert, one of Emile's managers.



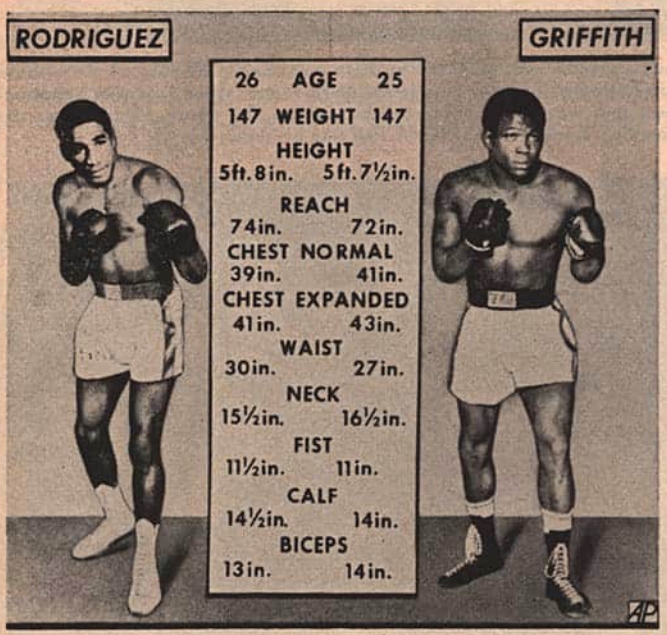
Body punching was featured by both men, and a number of times these blows strayed low. But only in the third round, when Luis was penalized one point, was action taken by the referee. The above photo shows the champion landing a right to the belt line of Rodriguez.



Luis was able to score effectively with a right hand lead throughout the fight. Here he lands on the side of Griffith's head in the third round. The intense desire of both made them fight with more fury and less style than they had showed in previous meetings.



Rodriguez is using his right hand to pull Emile into a left hook during the seventh round exchange. Both men were guilty of infractions of the rules throughout the close and exciting struggle.



Although the weather was excellent and there were big turnouts during the training periods, the promotion drew only half of what had been expected. The lure of the dice tables was greater than that of a title fight. Only 4,604 persons attended and paid a gross of $45,295. Yet the affair showed a profit, because of the $70,000 TV guarantee.

Griffith received $50,000 and Rodriguez, who worked on a 20 percent of the gross plus his share of TV and radio, received $21,060.

Griffith entered the ring a 9 to 5 second choice in a fight that should have been an even money bet. The champion fought according to plan. He kept driving in, attacked frequently to the body and gave his opponent no opportunity to maneuver. He weighed 146 to Luis's 146½, and the weight was perfect for him.

In one round, after being cornered, he got out of the tight spot and let go six rapid-fire lefts and rights to the body that slowed up the challenger.

In the second round, Griffith accidentally butted Rodriguez and the blood flowed freely from a wound over the left eye. But excellent corner work by his manager, Angelo Dundee, kept the damage from extending during the remainder of the fight.

Deviating from his tactics in their battles, the challenger didn't back away. He mixed it and fought well. But Emile fought a little better. He jabbed often and tossed punches during the infighting that enabled him to achieve the ultimate edge.

Griffith's favorite target after the third round was the wound over the eye, and the mid-section. He had hot fans in his mother and cousin who kept yelling from ringside seats, *"Stab him, Emile; stab him; hit the eye; cut him up more, dig, dig, dig, Emile. Stick him with your left"*. Emile obeyed. He crashed many lefts to the eye and peppered the body without let-up.

It was one of Emile's best performances. Each knew the other's style well and the pattern didn't change much.

Griffith won because he landed the better and more effective punches and was hit less often with forceful blows.

Rodriguez lacked the zip he displayed in his training. He permitted Emile to roll up an early lead which he couldn't overcome. The transplanted Cuban didn't get in his best shots until after the seventh round. The eighth was his best. It was one in which his continued activity, with solid body blows, had Griffith worried.

It was in the third round that Referee Krause penalized the Cuban for low hits.

In the second, when Luis was cut over the eye with a butt and a left hook, he clinched and looked complainingly at the referee, but no action was taken against Emile.

Both in the seventh and eighth, in which Rodriguez fought at his best, he found Griffith able to absorb the punishment and retaliate with effectiveness in the exchanges. It was in the latter round that Luis forced Griffith to the ropes where he pummeled him with lefts and rights. His two fisted attack was Luis' best in that session.

The poorest round was the ninth. The action slowed up and neither tossed much leather. There was much wrestling.

Griffith was guilty of holding and hitting several times in the tenth, but these offenses went unnoticed by the referee. Once Emile was warned for coming in with his head for a butt.

Griffith played a tattoo on Rodriguez' wounded eye in the eleventh which each of the officials tabbed even. The champ jarred Luis twice with left hooks to the jaw. When the round ended, they walked to their seats with looks of fatigue.

In the twelfth, booes and catcalls rang in Griffith's ears as he pursued the action after the bell had sounded. But he was blameless. Neither he nor Luis had heard the gong in the intense din.

The Cuban tossed a heavy right to the body as the round ended and Emile, quick as a flash, let go a long left and hooked

A solid left hook to the jaw makes Rodriguez wince during a rally by the champion in the fourteenth round, one of the best of the fight. By winning this round on all of the officials cards, Emile sewed up the verdict.

one to the chin before the referee was able to step between them. It was the most active of the fifteen rounds.

Rodriguez came on with a rush in the final two rounds, in which his attack was formidable. He had the champion stalled in those frames. Emile tired from the body punches but the effort of the challenger had come too late. He didn't think he had lost the fight and many agreed with him. Tallies of fifteen writers showed nine to six for Griffith.

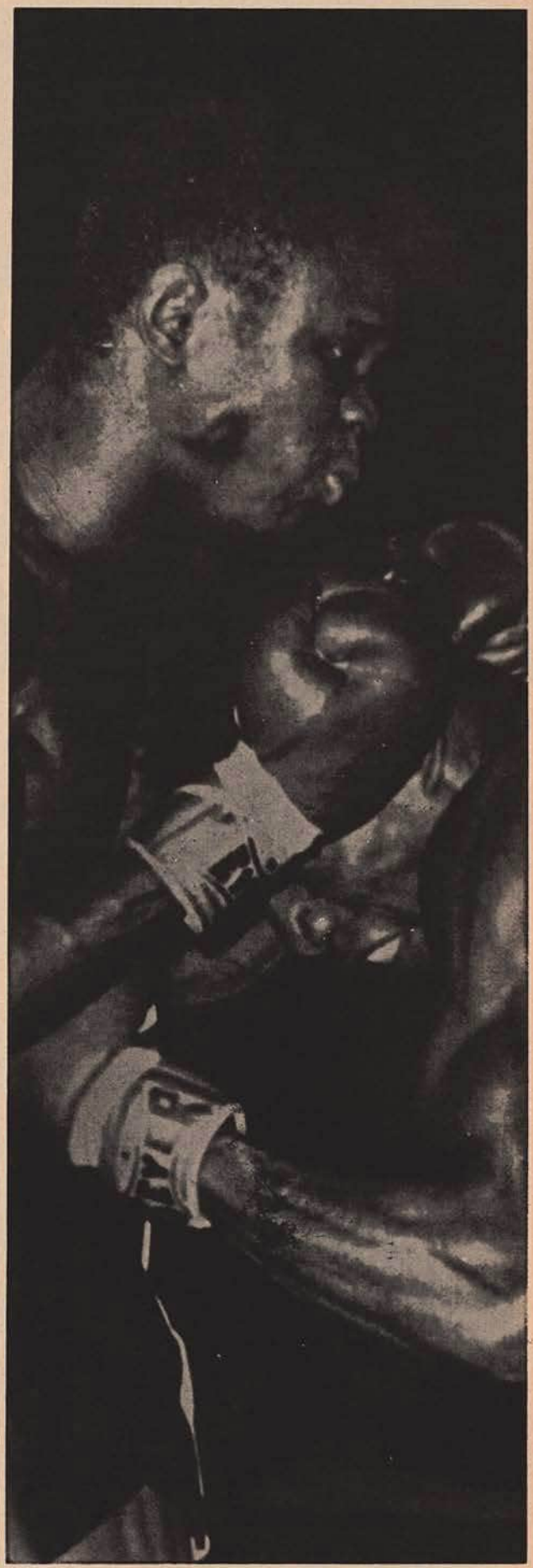
Griffith tries to cover up as Rodriguez digs away with both hands to the body during a flurry in the fourth round. Although Luis aimed his attack at Griffith's mid-section in order to slow him down, his strategy failed and Emile retained his speed for the entire 45 minutes.

"It's a shame. It's a curse," Rodriguez complained. *"Every time I fight Griffith he has good protection, to see I don't win."* This was a nasty, hot tempered accusation. He had only himself to blame. He failed to show zip in his punches when his big chance beckoned.

"Maybe it is time I quit fighting welterweights," Rodriguez added. *"I beat the best middleweights and welterweights but not Griffith. I will fight for the middleweight championship and let Griffith keep fighting welterweights."*

It was a thrilling fight between two beautifully conditioned athletes.

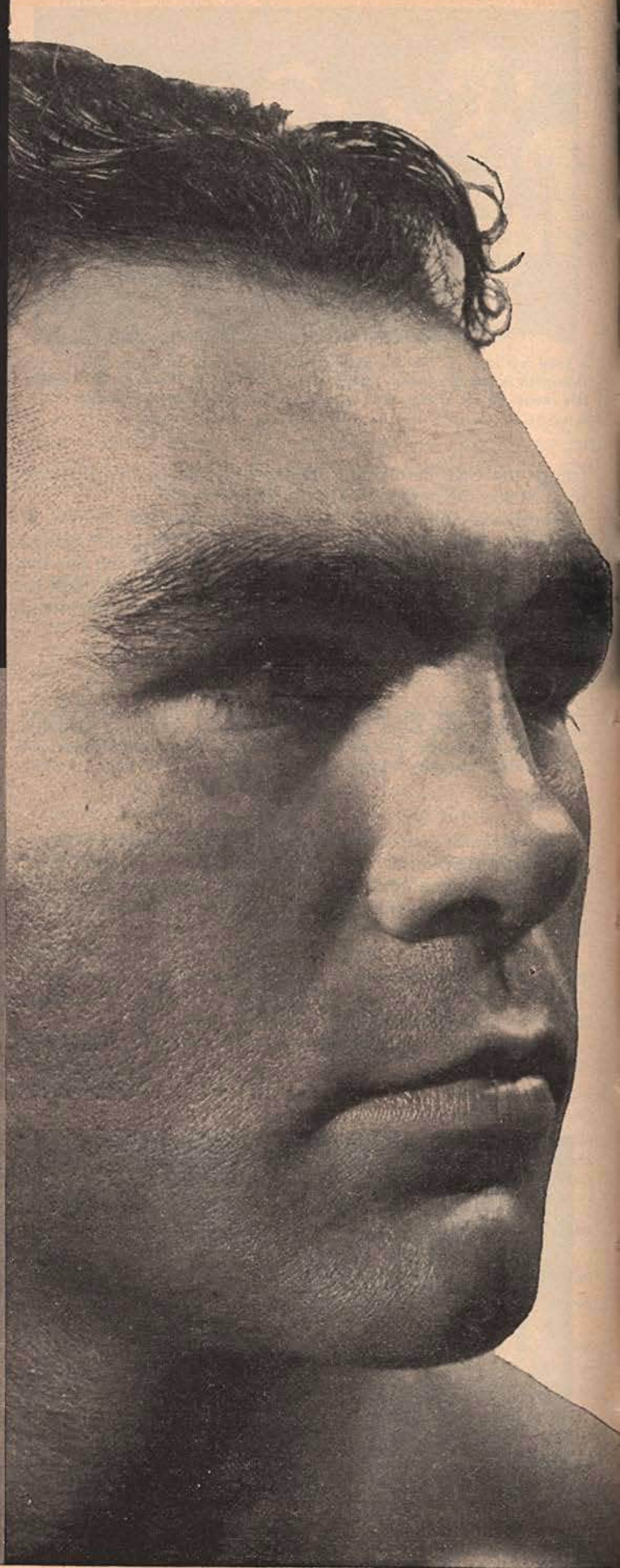
Despite the fact that he has his eyes shut and Griffith has his open, it is Rodriguez who is landing after Emile missed a left in the tenth, a round which all three officials scored for the challenger.



MAX SCHMELING

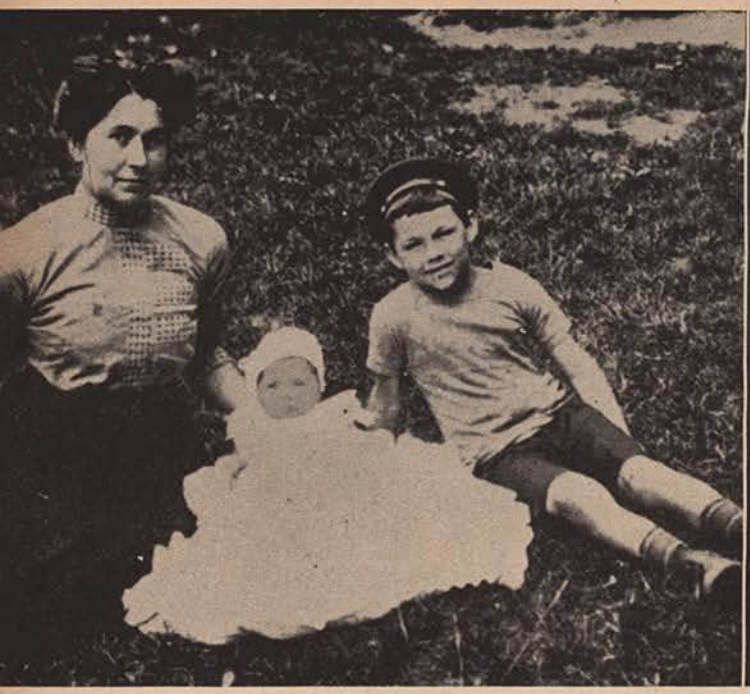
TOOK HEAVY TITLE IN 1930 BY BEATING SHARKEY ON FOUL IN 4TH.

GERMAN FIGHTER HELD CHAMPIONSHIP FOR TWO YEARS, THEN LOST TO JACK ON POINTS AFTER KO VICTORY IN STRIBLING SCRAP. BLACK UHLAN'S TWO FIGHTS WITH JOE LOUIS MADE SPECTACULAR BOXING DRAMA CONTRASTS



Max is smiling. But those bitsy slit eyes mean that this is the Smile of the Slugger. He is up to no good in so far as his opponent is concerned.

A Summer's idyl on the banks of the Elbe River. The former champion and Mrs. Max, former movie actress Anny Ondra, are entertaining a couple of guests from Berlin who are holidaying at the Schmeling estate.



On right, Maxie at the age of eight, hardly the picture of a future ring champion. On the left, Max's mother, with the future fighter at the age of one. Mama looks peaceful enough.

Schmeling is getting the Big Reception in Berlin. He has returned to Germany after having scored his remarkable twelve round knockout over Joe Louis in June 1936. Seig Heil!, etc.

A sculptor's impression of the Uhlan, by Eberhard Encke. There were other efforts to reproduce Max in bronze but this was pronounced tops.

UHLAN'S PROGRESS, INFANCY TO TITLE

The time is 1960, the smiling face is that of Max Schmeling, the locale is the Olympic Village in Rome, where the one-time champion is visiting with West Germany's amateur boxing contingent.

The man once held the heavyweght title. The woman once was a movie star, Anny Ondra. The man is Schmeling, his companion is his wife.

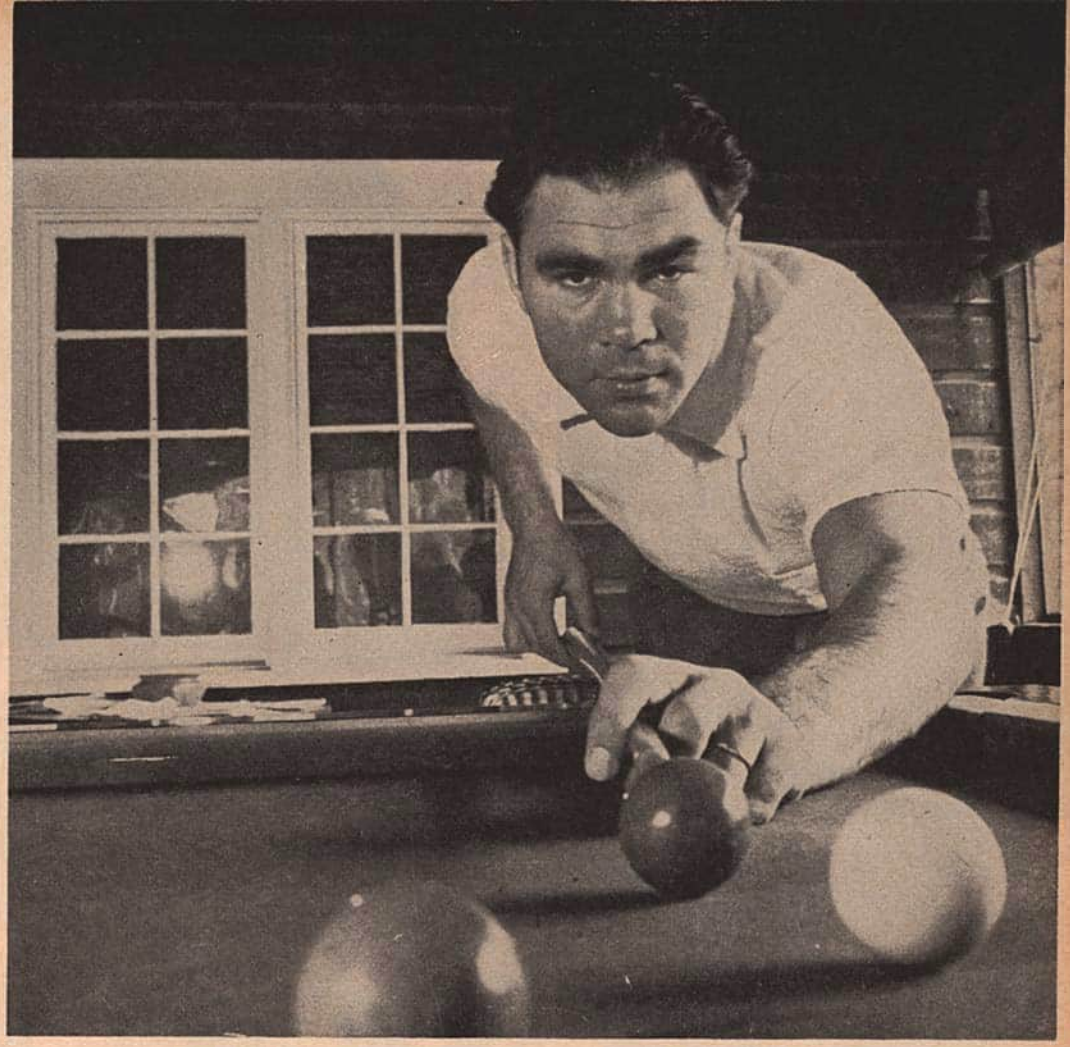
Former ring king in a playful mood. He is in his bottling plant, turning the air compressor on one of his employees.

MAX ACHIEVED FINE REPUTATION AS ATHLETE AND SPORTSMAN, NOW BUSINESS SUCCESS

Maxie always fancied himself as a diver. But only as an aquatic, and not as a fistic, performer.

No, Max is not training in a baseball camp. He is trying himself out as a batter in a very impromptu exhibition at Napanoch, N.Y., just before 1936 fight wth Louis.

Max as a Musician. He is giving a banjo-uke a going over in a more dulcet moment during his training for the Stribling fight in Cleveland.



One of Schmeling's camp recreations was billiards. He never could have beaten Hoppe. But he had a fine touch, and an acute sense of rhythm. Now, at 58, he still does well at the game.

Hail the Conquering Hero! Max is getting the Big Parade in Berlin. The reason? He just has returned from New York, (1930), where he beat Sharkey for the title.

The Uhlan is training for the second Sharkey fight. He is fishing. That's obvious. History does not reveal what he caught. It wasn't a sucker.

On the left, Nat Fleischer, standing to the right of Max, just has presented The Ring Magazine's championship belt to Schmeling. The time—1930. On the right, above, Max gets a few pointers from former Champion James J. Corbett who visited him when he was in training for his second fight with Jack Sharkey.

Scene on a Barcelona golf course, in the Spring of 1934. Max is training for his fight with Paolino. Schmeling is holding up the hand of Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., film actor, who has won the match. Max's manager, Joe Jacobs, stands on the extreme left. Jacobs looks as if "he should of stood in bed."

On the left we find the Uhlan as a film actor. His wife Anny is in the classic with him. The picture, oddly enough, was called "Knockout." On the right, Schmeling is shown in the Hamburg school from which he had been graduated 40 years earlier.

The picture at the top shows Schmeling's training camp in Germany. He was getting ready to stop Walter Neusel in the eighth. (1934)

The man who is force-watering Schmeling is Max Machon, his trainer.

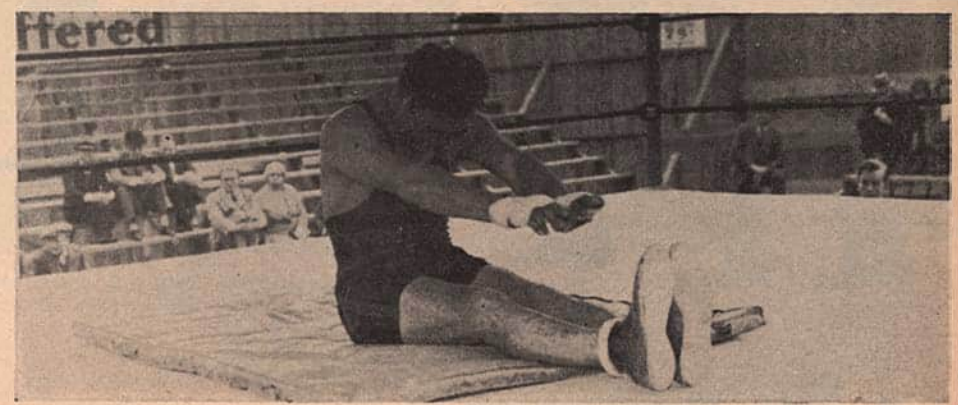
Above, on the right, Max receives a visitor, Gene Tunney, while the German is training for the Harry Thomas fight. Below, Schmeling, at Lake Swannanoa, N.J., is getting ready for Maxie Baer. (1933)

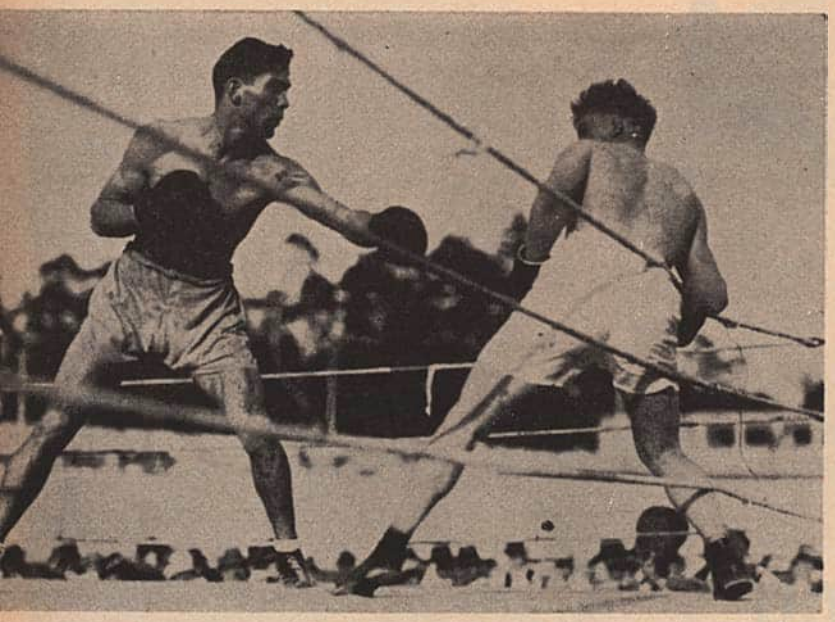
Max Schmeling, Germany's only heavyweight champion, was born on September 28, 1905, at Klein Luckaw, Brandenburg. He is an industrial success, chiefly in the soft drink bottling business, at age 58.

Max started his ring career in 1924, with a six round knockout of Herr Czapp, at Dusseldorf.

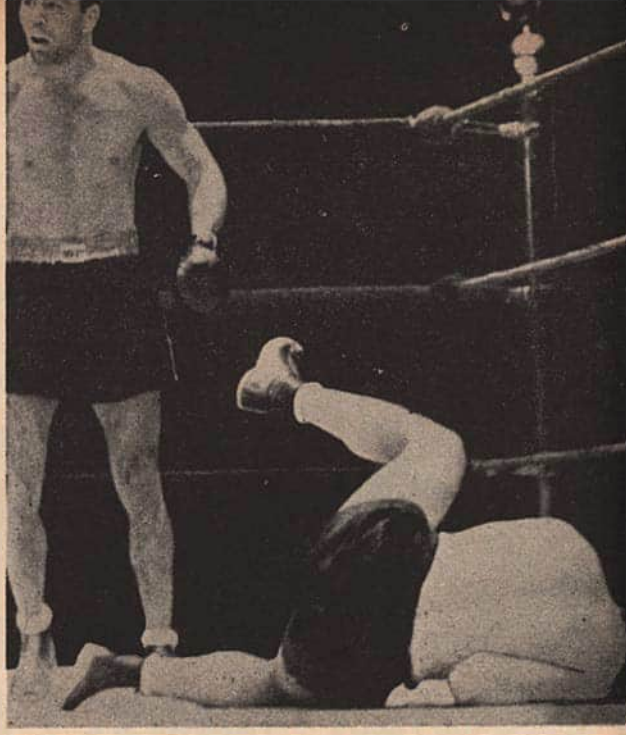
He retired in 1948, following his October 31 defeat in a ten rounder with Richard Vogt, in Berlin.

Max won the title on June 12, 1930, when Jack Sharkey was disqualified for fouling him in the fourth. He lost the championship on June 15, 1932, in a 15 rounder with Sharkey.



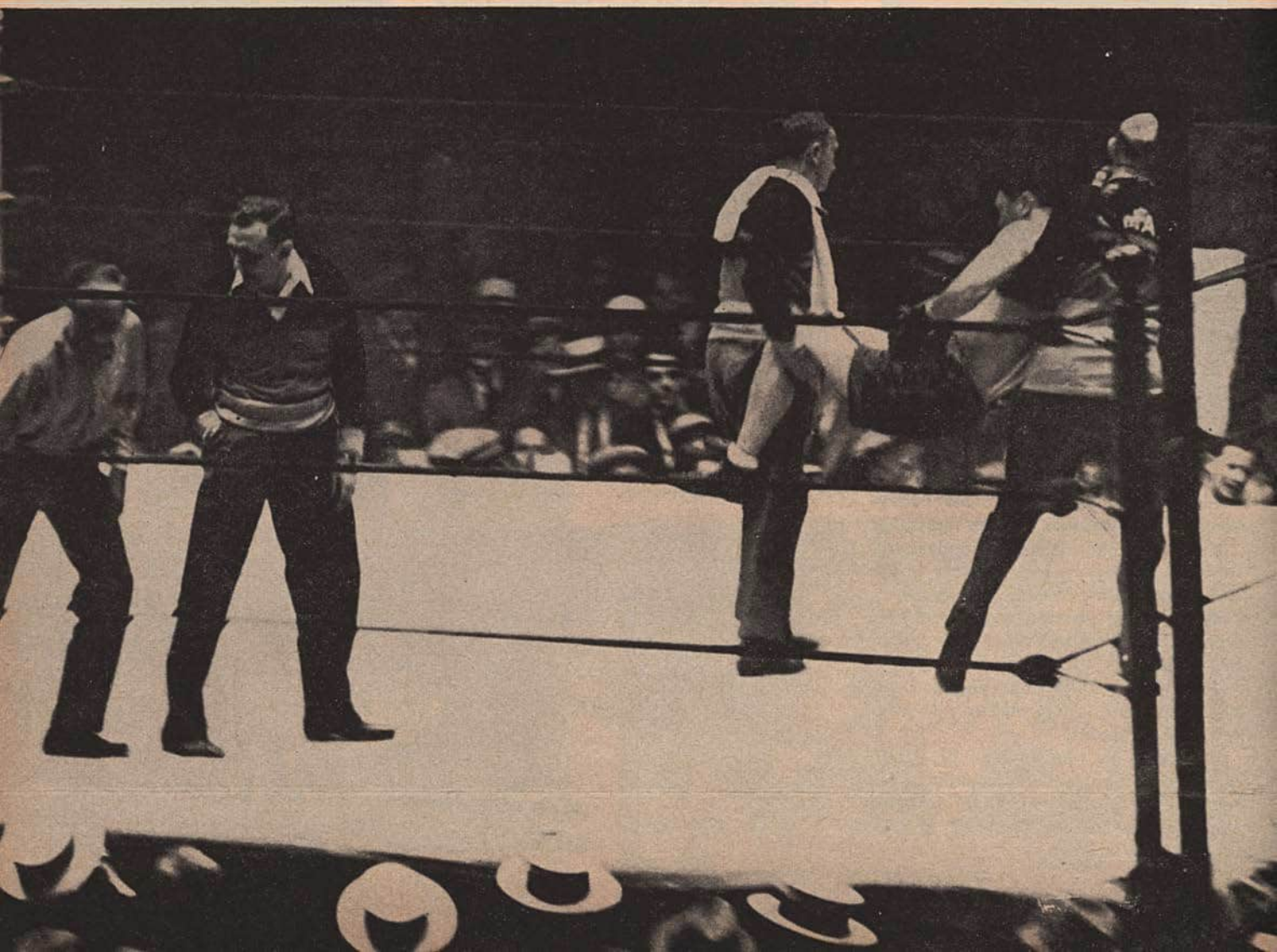


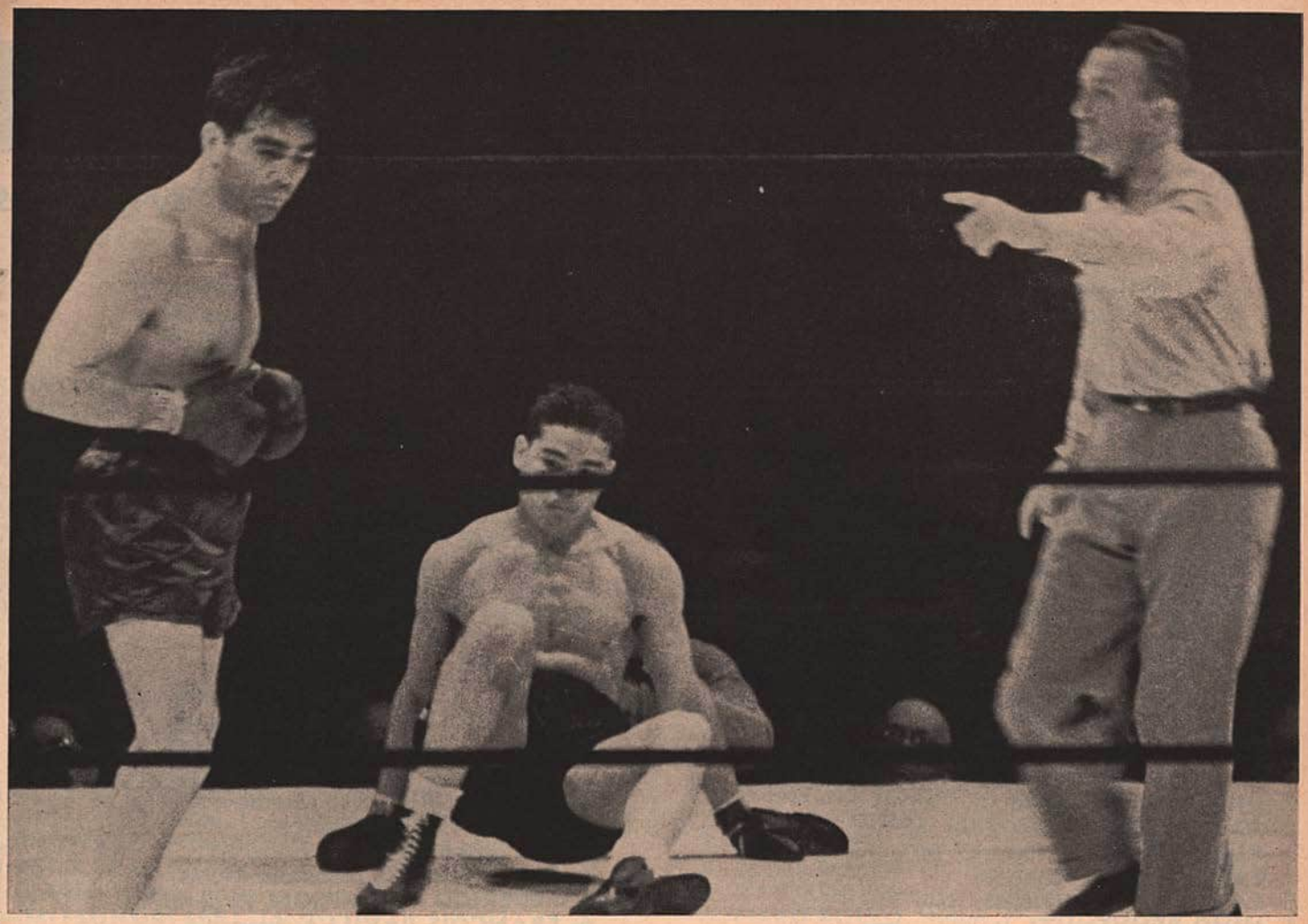
Schmeling is fighting his way to a ten round decision over Robert Larsen, the Dane, at Dortmund, Germany, in May 1927.



Schmeling is walking away from Mickey Walker, whom he has stopped in eight in the L. I. Bowl, New York, in September 1932.

Hail the new champion! Schmeling is being carried off but he is the winner, Jack Sharkey having been disqualified for fouling him in the fourth. (June 1930).





The great Joe Louis is sitting on the deck. He has been knocked out in the twelfth round by Schmeling. Time, June 19, 1936; locale, New York.

Over to the left we have three stages of Schmeling's first trip to the canvas in the fight in which Joe stopped him in one round. This was on June 22, 1938.

The time is May 1954. The place, Chicago. Max and Joe meet again.

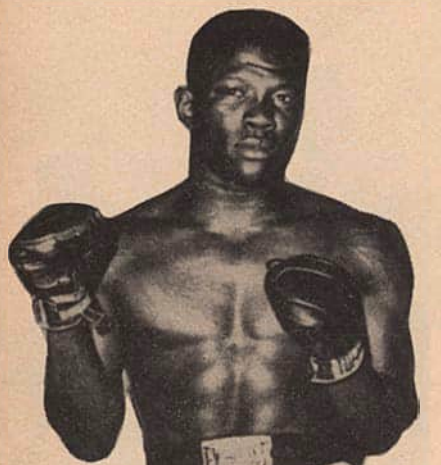
In the Sunset! The year is 1948. Schmeling, age 42, is losing a listless ten rounder to the 39 year old Neusel, in Hamburg.

WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHE

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Louisville, Ky.
1—**SONNY LISTON,** Denver, Colo.
2—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N.Y.
3—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
4—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5—**ERNEST TERRELL,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6—**CLEVELAND WILLIAMS,** Houston, Texas
7—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Scarsdale, N.Y.
8—**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
9—**HENRY COOPER,** England
10—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOEY GIARDELLO, Cherry Hill, N.J.
1—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
2—**JOEY ARCHER,** New York, N.Y.
3—**RUBIN CARTER,** Passaic, N.J.
4—**LASZLO PAPP,** Hungary
5—**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
6—**NINO BENVENUTI,** Italy
7—**JOSE TORRES,** Puerto Rico
8—**JOE GONZALEZ,** New York, N.Y.
9—**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
10—**GEORGE BENTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.



EMILE GRIFFITH

EMILE GRIFFITH FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
WILLIE PASTRANO, Miami, Fla.
1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
3—**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
4—**BOBO OLSON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
5—**MAURO MINA,** Peru
6—**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy
7—**WAYNE THORNTON,** Fresno, Calif.
8—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
9—**BOB FOSTER,** Washington, D.C.
10—**TERRY DOWNES,** England

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, Weehawken, N.J.
1—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami, Fla.
2—**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
3—**JOE STABLE,** New York, N.Y.
4—**RIP RANDALL,** Houston, Texas
5—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
6—**FRANCOIS PAVILLA,** France
7—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
8—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La
9—**STAN HAYWARD,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EDDIE PERKINS, Chicago, Ill.
1—**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
2—**LOUIS MOLINA,** San Jose, Calif.
3—**AISSA HASHAS,** France
4—**SANDRO LOPOPOLO,** Italy
5—**DOUG VAILLANT,** Cuba
6—**RODOLFO (Tito) MARSHALL,** Panama
7—**VALERIO NUNEZ,** Argentina
8—**ARTHUR PERSLEY,** Red Crosse, La
9—**MARIO ROSITTO,** Colombia
10—**BOBBY SCANLON,** Sacramento, Calif.

WITH most of the heavyweights sitting on the sidelines awaiting the return of Cassius Clay and an announcement of his plans for the future, the boxers in the lower divisions kept boxing in the spotlight.

Emile Griffith successfully defended his welterweight title by defeating Luis Rodriguez, and his feat gained for him The Ring's Fighter of the Month Award.

The only heavyweight of prominence in action was Doug Jones, the Number Two contender, who outpointed an ordinary opponent in Kingston, Jamaica, Leroy Green. His victory enabled him to keep his high post.

There were no changes in the heavyweight division.

A veteran former middleweight champion, Terry Downes, of England, returned to the world ratings, but in the light heavyweight sector. He replaced Henry Hank of Detroit, in the tenth post. That was the lone change in the division.

In the middleweight class, former champion Gene Fullmer, who has been inactive for a long period, has been eliminated.

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JUNE 18, 1964

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N.Y.

1–**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
2–**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3–**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
4–**BUNNY GRANT,** Jamaica
5–**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6–**ANGEL GARCIA,** France
7–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** New York, N.Y.
8–**TERUO KOSAKA,** Japan
9–**ALFREDO UBRINA,** Mexico
10–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
SUGAR RAMOS, Mexico City, Mexico

1–**FLOYD ROBERTSON,** Ghana
2–**DON JOHNSON,** Los Angeles, Calif.
3–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
4–**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
5–**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
6–**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
7–**ANTONIO HERRERA,** Colombia
8–**VICENTE SALDIVAR,** Mexico
9–**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10–**DANNY KID,** Stockton, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Bangkok, Thailand

1–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
2–**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy
3–**BERNARDO CARBALLO,** Colombia
4–**EFREN TORRES,** Mexico
5–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
6–**WALTER McGOWAN,** Scotland
7–**TAKESHI NAKAMURA,** Japan
8–**EUGENIO HURTADO,** Panama
9–**ROCKY GATTALLARI,** Australia
10–**BABY LORONA,** Philippines

Should he decide to return to activity, he will regain a position among the top ten. In the meantime he has been let out to make way for George Benton of Philadelphia, now ranked tenth.

Three other shifts were made in the division. Jose Torres of Puerto Rico advanced from eighth to seventh. Joe Gonzalez of New York from ninth to eighth and Luis Folledo of Spain dropped from seventh to ninth.

Although Rodriguez lost to Griffith, he retained his top position as leading challenger because *(Continued on page 49)*

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GABRIEL (Flash) ELORDE, Manila, Philippines

1–**JOHNNY BIZZARRO,** Erie, Pa.
2–**JOSE LUIS CRUZ,** Mexico
3–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
4–**VICENTE DERADO,** Argentina
5–**AUBURN COPELAND,** Flint, Mich.
6–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria
7–**WILLI QUATOUR,** Germany
8–**KAZUO TAKAYAMA,** Japan
9–**KANG SUH II,** Korea
10–**ANTONIO PAIVA,** Italy

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EDER JOFRE, Sao Paulo, Brazil

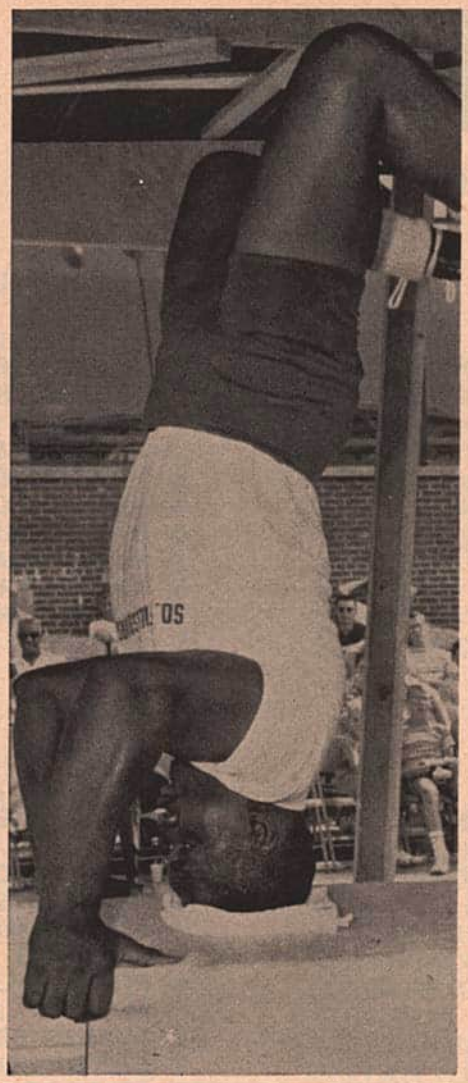
1–**FIGHTING HARADA,** Japan
2–**RONNIE JONES,** Chicago, Ill.
3–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
4–**JESUS PIMENTEL,** Los Angeles, Calif.
5–**RAY ASIS,** Stockton, Calif.
6–**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
7–**MANNY BARRIOS,** Mexico
8–**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
9–**RISTO LUUKKONEN,** Finland
10–**FELIX BRAMI,** Tunisia

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Lee Carr, Brooklyn, N.Y.	1/64	4	4	0	0	1
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Young McCormack, Dublin, Ireland	9/63	11	10	1	0	10
MIDDLEWEIGHTS						
Alf Matthews, London, England	6/63	7	7	0	0	6
WELTERWEIGHTS						
Chappell Funneye, Fresno, Calif.	10/63	6	4	1	1	1
LIGHTWEIGHTS						
Skip Johnson, Opa-locka, Fla.	1/64	6	5	0	1	3
FEATHERWEIGHTS						
Eddie Linder, Miami, Fla.	4/64	7	5	1	1	1
BANTAMWEIGHTS						
Ron Lendrum, Cardiff, Wales	7/63	5	5	0	0	3
FLYWEIGHTS						
Beto Ojeda, Mexico City, Mexico	1/64	4	4	0	0	1

By DAN DANIEL

Does Liston Know Which End Is Up???



"Sure, there will be a second fight with Clay," Says Sonny

TESTIFYING before the Hart Committee in Washington not so long ago John Nilon, Sonny Liston's manager, made some rather scathing remarks about his charge. He said, in effect, that Liston could not be managed, and that he was quite sick of his role.

When told about these animadversions, Liston said that Nilon was a vender of hot dogs.

These sallies gave the impression that a serious rift had occurred in Liston-Nilon relations.

However, a telephone call to Liston in Denver developed the information that Nilon still was doing business for the dethroned champion.

"Sure, there is gonna be a second fight with Clay," Liston told the writer. "Why shouldn't there be a second fight? Didn't I have two fights with Floyd Patterson?

"What has been done about arranging the return match? You will have to get Nilon to tell you that. He is doing the arranging."

"There is a lot of difference of opinion about that second fight in the Clay camp. Cassius, who last was quoted in Ghana, keeps talking about quitting the ring," the interviewer said.

"Ghana?" Liston exclaimed. "Where that?" It appeared likely that Sonnyboy had not heard about the Ramos-Robertson rhubarb at Accra.

"I am training for that second fight," Liston said. "I chopped down trees in the woods for a week, and now I am working in the gym. I am not doing all this for fun. I am sure I will get that Lip into the ring again, and it will be a different story."

In Africa, Clay said that tax considerations would prevent his fighting again this year.

In Louisville, William Faversham, head of the syndicate which "owns" Cassius, with two more years to go, said, "The new law, whereby the Federal tax on an athlete's income is proportionately lower during the five years of his highest earnings has not been explained to Clay.

"When we discuss the matter with him he doubtless will realize that he stands to gain by fighting again this year."

A photograph of Clay taken in Ghana, showing the Muslim convert equipped with native costume, and loads of lard on his torso, indicates that Clay will have a tough time melting off the suet if and when he gets down to training for the return fight.

The Lip gave the Ghanaians a song and dance about building a home in Accra and spending three months a year in the land of his origin, where 400 years ago "our people were stolen and sold into slavery in America."

Jack Nilon, who testified before Hart Committee in Washington, to effect that Liston could not be managed.

Sonny Liston, with his wife, had it "made" as champion. Here he was caught by camera as he and then Vice President, Lyndon B. Johnson, compared fists in meeting at the Nation's Capitol.

Clay added some drivel about making Ghana the new capital of world boxing. He did not explain how he was going to go about this, in a busted country in which a big fight would draw about a dollar a head, with ideal weather and champions in the ring. After the Ramos mess Ghana is going to find it difficult to attract champions.

By the time this edition of The Ring Magazine has been circulated around the world fat Cassius, unlike the Cassius of the lean and hungry look, may have completed his journey to Mecca and his seven laps around the sacred stone of the Muslims.

Before Clay met Liston, Cassius appeared to be a life saver for boxing. He has turned out to be a severe pain in the neck. With his Black Muslim connection, his ill-advised, ungoverned remarks, he could develop into a positive detriment to boxing.

Liston has changed his opinion of Clay as a fighter. It will be recollected that before February 25, 1964, Sonny indicated that all he had to do in the Miami Beach ring would be to glare at Cassius, to scare him out of the arena.

Liston now concedes that it would take him six rounds to dispose of Clay.

"Clay didn't do much fighting against me," Sonny explained. "If I had waited for him to come to me we still would be standing there."

If and when they fight again, where is it likely to be? There is talk of Louisville as the site. The Kentucky metropolis never has been famous as a boxing centre and might not be a widely applauded selection.

Miami Beach would want this one, too. But Clay has been quoted as saying that he would not appear there again, even as a casual visitor. He did not like the $2,500 fine hung on him after the fight, for no logical reason, and he still grouses about Ed Lasman's announced intention to divest him of the heavyweight title.

Las Vegas apparently is not interested. Jim Deskin, Executive Secretary of the Nevada Commission, has said that Vegas doesn't want the fight.

"There has been some indirect contact from the Liston people about fighting in Vegas," said Deskin. "I am against bringing the fight to Nevada. We'd have been in some spot if the February fight had come here, as it almost did."

Vegas no longer is interested in indiscriminate publicity. It has become choosey, and for good reason.

New York is out of the question, Los Angeles wants nothing to do with it. Perhaps it will have to come down to Louisville, after all.

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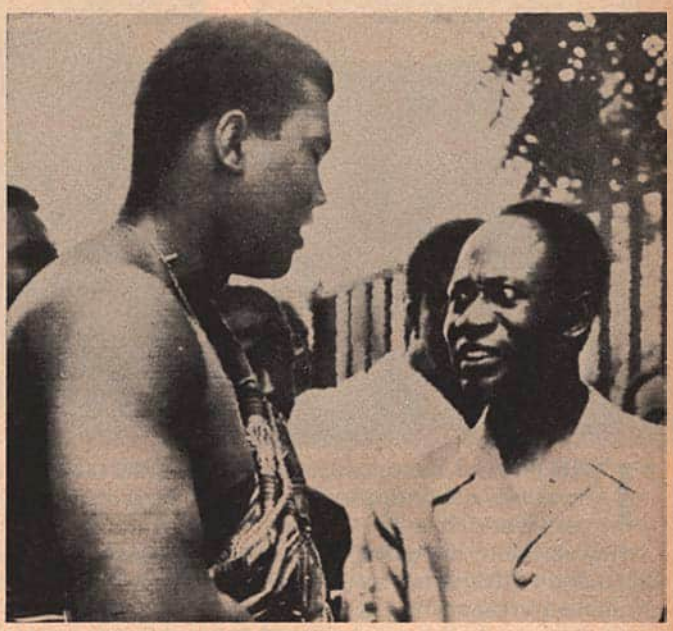
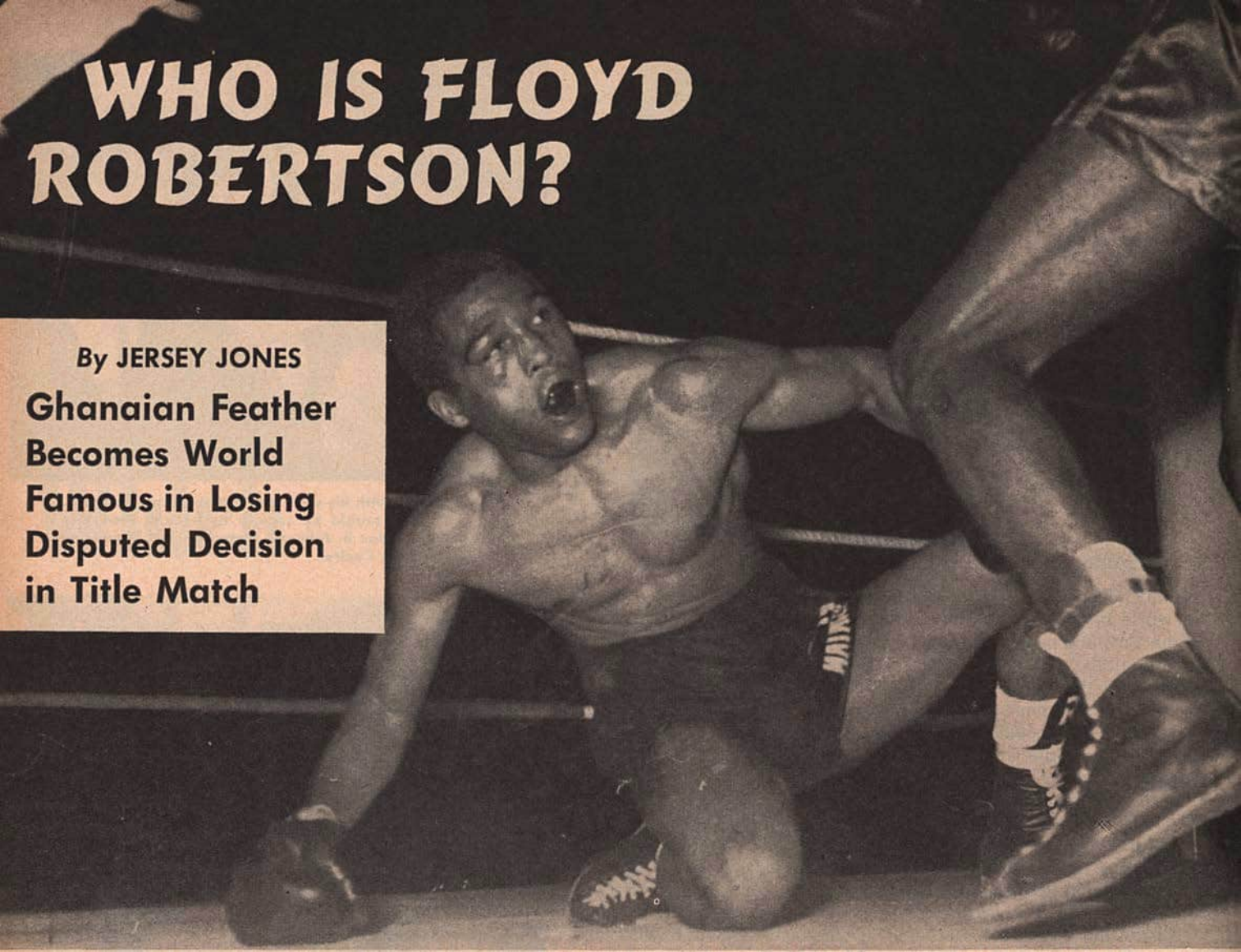


Cassius Clay, now world heavyweight champion, is the new big man on the totem pole. He is seen shaking hands with Ghana President Kwame Nkrumah while on African tour. Note Clay's fatty condition.

When this photo was taken Liston was "unbeatable." The occasion was the presentation by Editor Nat Fleischer of The Ring Magazine championship belt.

WHO IS FLOYD ROBERTSON?



By JERSEY JONES

Ghanaian Feather Becomes World Famous in Losing Disputed Decision in Title Match

THE heart of the once Dark Continent has been lighting up considerably in the international sock market in this post-World War II era.

Had anybody the audacity to suggest a dozen or so years ago that the African lands of Nigeria and Ghana would become prominent in major ring activities, he would have qualified for immediate psychiatric treatment. The thought was utterly fantastic.

Yet Nigeria has since turned out two world champions—featherweight Hogan (Kid) Bassey and middleweight Dick Tiger—and neighboring Ghana, formerly the Gold Coast, recently lost a bid for the featherweight laurels when native son Floyd Robertson was adjudged a hotly disputed loser in a battle with Cuba-born, Mexico-domiciled Sugar Ramos.

Although only about one-fourth the size of Nigeria in area and population, Ghana has made even more impressive strides in advancing its local boxing activities. True, Nigeria is ahead, 2-0, in the scramble for world titles, but both its champions had to establish their reputations and win their laurels in other climes. Their opportunities in Nigeria were limited. In the entire land, approximately the size of Texas and Oklahoma combined, and with a population of some 40,000,000, there is only one stadium (in Ibadan) of sufficient capacity for major promotions, and fight cards in the few minor arenas are staged so infrequently that promising native ringsters have to hie themselves to the British Isles or continental Europe to further their ambitions.

In Ghana, however, boxing promotions function on a more organized basis. The country has three large arenas—in Accra, Kumasi and Tarkwa—and fight cards are offered on fairly regular schedules, giving homegrown talent ample opportunity to keep busy.

Although it has yet to produce a world champion, Ghana so far has come up with two British Empire title-holders, both featherweights. Roy Ankrah was the first, Floyd Robertson the second.

Naturally, there is keen rivalry between Nigeria and Ghana, and when the Nigerian government sponsored the first world championship bout ever held in West Africa—the middleweight tussle between Dick Tiger and Gene Fullmer in Ibadan a year ago—it was inevitable that Ghana would make strenuous efforts to get a title match for itself.

London promoter Jack Solomons, who had done such a fine job with the Tiger-Fullmer show in Nigeria, was asked by Ghananian officials to see what could be done about bringing a champion to their land.

Solomons negotiated for lightweight title-holder Carlos Ortiz to meet Ghana's leading 135-pounder, Teddy Meho, but when the match was arranged, complications developed and the bout, after one postponement, was cancelled.

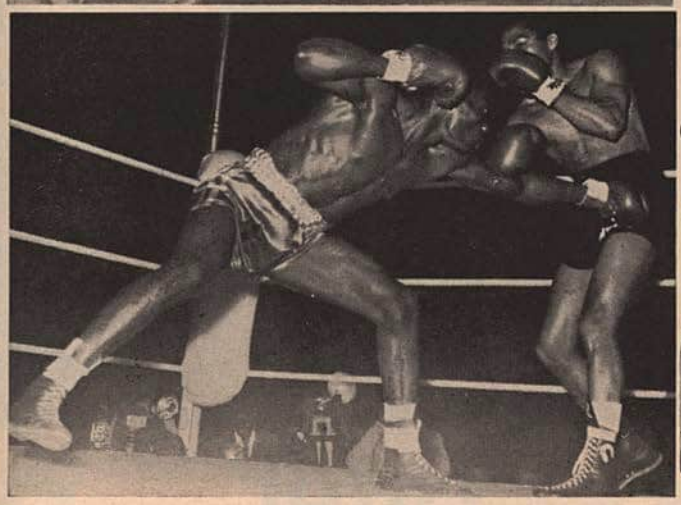
Solomons then went after Ramos. Originally, local favorite Joe Tetteh was proposed as Sugar's opponent, but it was decided first to stage an elimination match between Tetteh and countryman Floyd Robertson for the latter's British Empire laurels. The winner would be offered to Ramos.

Robertson was the winner. He knocked Tetteh out in the eleventh round.

Because of the importance of the match—the first world title bout ever held in Ghana—Jack Hart, rated among the most efficient and experienced referees in Britain, was imported from

(Far left)—Champion Sugar Ramos hits canvas in fifth round. He was down again in thirteenth.

(Upper left)—Ramos, bleeding from mouth, launches desperate assault during latter stages of bout.



(Lower left)—A long left by Robertson to Ramos' body is deflected by champion.

(Right)—Challenger oozes pre-battle confidence as he weighs in for Ghana's first world championship bout.

England to handle the third-man assignment.

The Ramos contingent insisted on naming two judges, and a pair of World Boxing Association officials were specified—Ed Lassman of Miami Beach and Ramon Velazquez of Mexico City.

At the end of fifteen rounds, Hart declared Robertson the winner, but he was outvoted by the W.B.A. duo, who tabbed for Ramos.

The decision precipitated a near-riot with the crowd, which felt Robertson had won decisively.

Amidst all the excitement, the Ghana Boxing Authority decided to veto the verdict and call the bout "no contest." Since the fight had gone its prescribed distance and a decision had been given, it hardly could have been called "no contest."

The following morning, after all-night deliberation, the Authority decreed that the votes of the W.B.A. were tossed out, the referee's verdict made official, and Robertson declared winner and new champion.

This ruling, of course, failed to meet with the cooperation of the various international boxing boards and, regardless of the justice or injustice of the decision, Ramos was still recognized as featherweight champion of all the world—except Ghana.

With the conflicting reports emanating from Accra, the Ghanaian capital, it is difficult, when 6,000 miles away from the scene of action, to determine exactly what did happen in the fight. Local newspaper accounts can usually be dismissed as biased in favor of the hometown entry. The personal opinions of managers, trainers and even the fighters themselves also are generally slanted and unreliable.

In this instance, however, neutral authorities are prepared to accept the report of an "outsider," Peter Wilson, one of England's most distinguished and respected sports writers.

Wilson made the jaunt from London to cover the fight. He had no personal interest in it, and it was immaterial to him who won. The assignment was just another job to him.

In his advance speculation on the probable outcome, Wilson picked Ramos to win, with a strong possibility of a knockout.

One of the most embarrassing tasks confronting a sports authority, especially one of Wilson's international reputation, is to admit he's wrong. Wilson not only admitted he had erred in predicting a Ramos victory, but in his account of the fight he labelled the decision in Sugar's favor a flagrant "robbery."

"I have been watching big-time boxing for nearly thirty years," wrote Peter. "I have reported it from nearly thirty countries and I have seen about seventy world championship bouts. Nothing I have ever seen compares to the fantastic night here in Ghana when local boy Floyd Robertson won the world featherweight championship from Sugar Ramos . . . and was robbed of his just reward by two judges who overruled the referee . . . I tell you this was the worst decision I have ever seen in a world championship."

Just who is this Floyd Robertson, whose battle with Ramos stirred up so much commotion?

On a recent visit to New York, Peter Keenan, former British Empire bantamweight champion, currently Scotland's leading fight promoter, expressed surprise at Robertson's performance against Ramos.

"Maybe we Britishers underestimated Robertson's true ability," said Keenan. "Frankly, nobody in Britain expected him to beat Ramos, or even hold him close. Floyd wasn't regarded too highly by us or on the European continent. Tall and rangy, strong and durable, but very ordinary in ability. At least, that's the way he rated with us. He did win the Empire title from Percy Lewis in 1960, but Percy was then 34 and a fading

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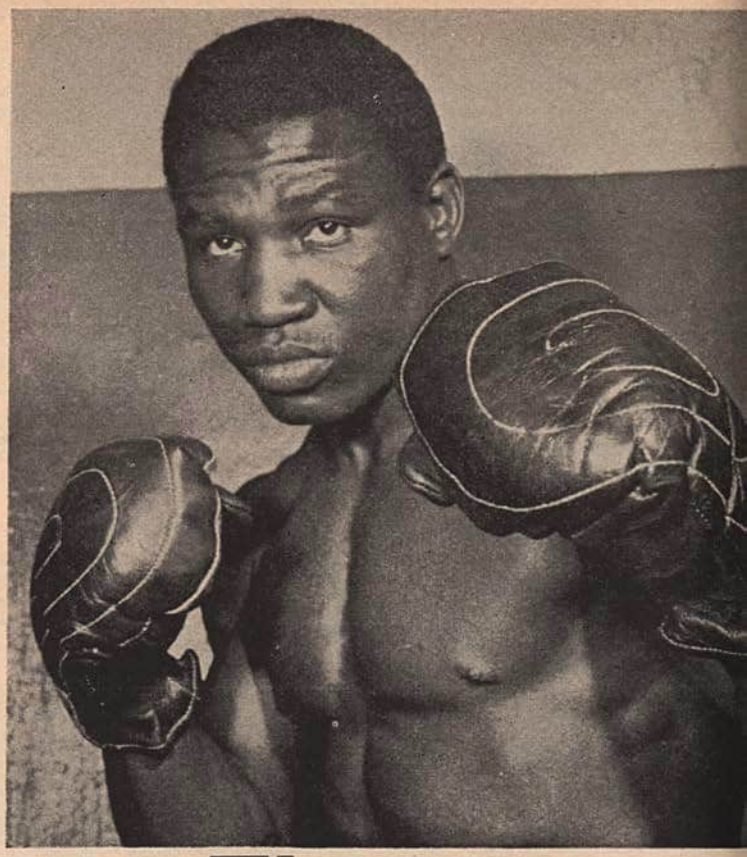


Tiger, Forgotten Man

By AL BUCK

THE mystery was spawned by Dick Tiger's ill-conceived and badly constructed title bout with Joey Giardello. Fought on Pearl Harbor Day last year, the battle proved to be a disaster for Tiger, who was stripped of the world middleweight championship by referee Paul Cavalier's decision.

The only official, Cavalier rendered the proper verdict. Tiger made no protest, and none was justified. But on leaving Atlantic City, the scene of his defeat, to return to his native Nigeria, the dethroned champion vanished from the public prints. Now he is the forgotten man.

In an attempt to solve the mystery, The Ring interviewed those most closely involved, men who know, or should know the situation. Some of the answers were conflicting, but on the whole they served to pierce the curtain of silence.

It was recalled that in the flush of victory, Giardello promised that Tiger would have the first chance to retain the title in a return bout. Murray Goodman, the promoter, while denying that a return bout contract existed, was in agreement with the new champion about a second fight with the Nigerian.

"I don't know where he is, or anything about him," said Giardello when asked if he still planned to fight Tiger. *"I've heard he has become a farmer."*

Until Jose Gonzalez, Puerto Rican contender, stopped Florentino Fernandez in eight rounds, Giardello was negotiating to defend the title against the Cuban. Fernandez has been eliminated, and Joey must revise his plans.

Since his promise to Tiger, the champion has put his affairs in new hands. Michael Del Collo, a Philadelphia lawyer, now handles Giardello's business. Lou Dova, Paterson, N. J., promoter, operates as Joey's boxing manager.

"There is a contract, but what good is it when you haven't a promoter?" said Jersey Jones, Tiger's American manager. *"Murray Goodman did a lot of work for the first fight, and while he lacks experience as a promoter, he's entitled to be cut in on the second.*

"You could say we have a gentleman's agreement for a return bout."

Goodman has retired as a fight promoter to join a New York publicity firm.

"There is a contract, but it concerns Giardello's first defense of the the title, not necessarily for a return bout with Tiger," Goodman explained. "The contract is held by Duva, Sam Bartolletta and myself.

"Giardello is getting some bad advice. He does have a moral obligation to fight Tiger again."

Duva was cut in on the title fight at Atlantic City. The Goodman-Bartolletta firm suspended operations after a series of financially unsuccessful promotions at the Teaneck, N. J., Armory and the New York Coliseum.

Tiger turned up at long last in Accra, Ghana, where he attended the Sugar Ramos-Floyd Robertson world featherweight title fight. He was quoted to the effect that the split and disputed decision to Ramos, the champion, was the correct one.

"Tiger was the guest of Jack Solomons," explained Lew Burston, the American representative of the British promoter, and an associate of Jones in the management of Tiger. He had what seemed to be the latest information on the activities of the former champion.

"Solomons persuaded Tiger to go to London. Bobby Diamond, his British manager, is trying to arrange for a couple of tune-up fights," Burston continued. *"He needs them to sharpen up for a return with Giardello.*

"The return bout, of course, depends on Giardello's keeping his promise."

"Tiger always has to have from a month to six weeks to get ready for a fight," said Jimmy August, the Nigerian's trainer. *"He thinks so, anyway. He insists on it, even though he may have had a fight the night before, and is in perfect condition."*

Jones sent Tiger equipment for a complete gymnasium, but Burston and August agreed he never gets in shape when home in Ibadam.

"He could have had the tuneup here. Madison Square Garden would have put him in with Johnny Persol," Burston said. *"It has been difficult to communicate with him. He has not answered our cables, and it may be better if he has the fights he needs in London."*

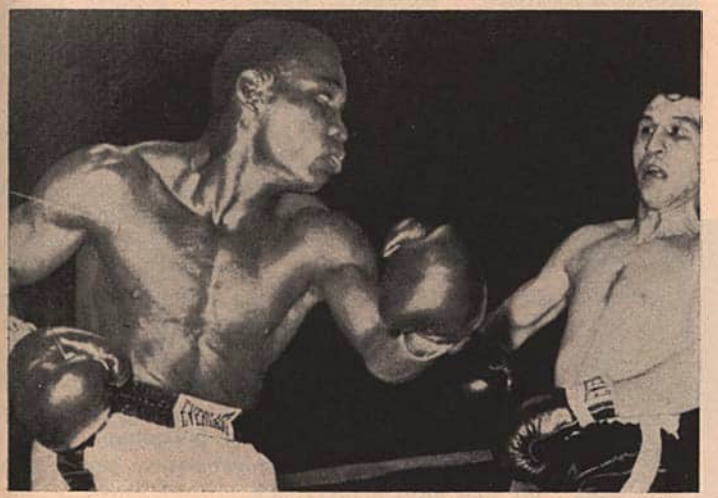
The relations between Jones and Teddy Brenner, the Garden matchmaker, are strained. According to Jones the Garden offered Tiger a fight with Bobo Olson, former middleweight champion, who has made a successful comeback as a light-heavyweight.

"What kind of fight would that be, a middleweight against a light-heavyweight?" asked Jones. *"What kind of shape would Tiger be in if he had to weigh 165 pounds? Olson now fights at 175."*

The Jones-Brenner break dates from Feb. 9, 1963, when Vincente Durado, Argentine lightweight, defeated Rafiu King, Nigerian featherweight. Jersey managed King, who later, in a bid for the featherweight title was outpointed by Ramos in 15 rounds at Mexico City.

"Brenner forced King to fight Durado, a lightweight," Jones

Above, Jersey Jones, Tiger representative in New York. Below, Dick losing title to Giardello.



charges. *"Durado was the only fighter he'd give us, and since King had to have a fight I was forced to take it."*

Brenner admits he knew Durado had the better chance but insists he advised Jones not to take the match.

"There are no featherweights in this country," Brenner said. *"I told this to Jones, and also that Durado was the only opponent available at the time. I also told him that in my opinion he shouldn't take the match. He ignored the advice, King lost."*

What would seem to be a minor disagreement resulted in Tiger's breaking with the Garden. He elected to defend the title against Giardello with Goodman doing the promoting at Atlantic City.

"The Garden paid to bring Tiger over the first time. He had seven fights for us, and we put up the $100,000 TV money for his return bout with Gene Fullmer at Las Vegas," explained Harry Markson, Garden boxing director.

"Tiger won the title from Fullmer at San Francisco, but Norm Rothschild, the promoter, owed Fullmer $35,000 after it was over. To make up the difference Fullmer got $60,000 from the $100,000 we paid for the Las Vegas return.

"We offered another $100,000 for Tiger to defend against the winner of Hurricane Carter and Joey Archer. Jones turned this down. Instead he took Giardello at Atlantic City. Incidentally, Archer upset Carter."

Joe Walker, New Jersey boxing commissioner, has praised Jones for taking a percentage for Tiger to fight Giardello. The first time was at a boxing writers' dinner in New Jersey, and again at a function in Paterson honoring Giardello.

Goodman and his associates had hoped to sell the TV rights to the Tiger-Giardello fight to an independent sponsor. When they were unable to do so, Jones guaranteed Tiger his purse would not be less than $100,000.

Tiger's pay-off was $22,000 short. The rumor has been that this is the reason for the prolonged silence from Nigeria. Burston, who should know, says Jones made up the difference.

"If there is a return bout, and that depends on Giardello keeping his promise, it can't be held before September," said Burston. This may be too late for Giardello. The champion is under pressure from several challengers.

In connection with the first Tiger-Giardello bout it should be remembered that the Garden offer was for a fight with Archer-Carter winner, or as it turned out, Archer. Giardello wasn't licensed in New York, and Garden policy was not to use him on TV, even though the show would be in another state.

This policy was abandoned after Joey won the title and he has been seen on the network twice recently in fights with Rocky Rivero at Cleveland.

"Giardello's new management is clean," said Markson. *"We have urged him to apply to the New York Commission for a license, but for some reason he hasn't done so."*

Giardello's lack of a New York license may explain why he hasn't fought Joey Archer. Jimmy Archer, his brother's manager, says the Garden tried to make a Giardello-Archer fight for the new Shea Stadium. This would have been in connection with the World's Fair, and according to Jimmy the offer was the usual $100,000.

From his conversations with Giardello, Markson got the impression the champion prefers Archer as a challenger.

"Carmen Tedesco offered to put up $100,000 for a title fight for Hurricane Carter, but he no longer manages Carter," said Markson. *"Pat Amoto, Carter's new manager, is a prison guard and hasn't that kind of money.*

"Cain Young, a Brooklyn real estate operator, is willing to back Jose Torres up to $100,000 for a title fight.

"Murray Goodman has been in to see me, and said he would not be hard to do business with if we were interested in promoting a Giardello-Tiger fight."

To sum up, Goodman and his associates have a contract for Giardello's first title defense. Giardello's promise to give Tiger a chance to regain the crown before meeting any other challenger has been blunted by the former champion's remaining in his native Nigeria.

There has been little direct communication between Tiger and Jones. Why is a mystery the answer to which is known only to themselves.

Solomons has persuaded Tiger to resume his career in London, and from there Burston hopes he will come to the United States. This is coupled with hope that Giardello will keep his word. The champion's position is that he has heard nothing from Tiger.

The Garden would be willing to take over and promote a middleweight title fight. But because of its strained relations with Jones, Tiger does not figure prominently in Markson's plans.

The picture is not clear. The middleweight situation is confused. Dick Tiger's part in it remains, at least for the present, a mystery. To begin with, fighting Giardello in Atlantic City in the conditions that existed didn't make sense. Nothing has been logical since.

What's wrong with Tiger? Is there a run-around?

As this issue of The Ring Magazine is being circulated around the world Tiger sits in London, looking for action and seeing no immediate prospect of getting it.

Intent on getting a couple of tuneups, over the middleweight limit, which he now cannot make without vigorous training, Tiger accepted a match with Italy's Giulio Rinaldi, light heavy.

However, for many reasons, mostly those having to do with money, the negotiations collapsed.

Tiger could go into hard training at once, and then show up in New York and demand that return fight with Joey Giardello.

But he has expressed no intention of doing this. Nor is there anything doing in the direction of Laszlo Papp.

In short, Tiger, world champion early last December, one of the most talked about fighters in the game, is a Forgotten Man.

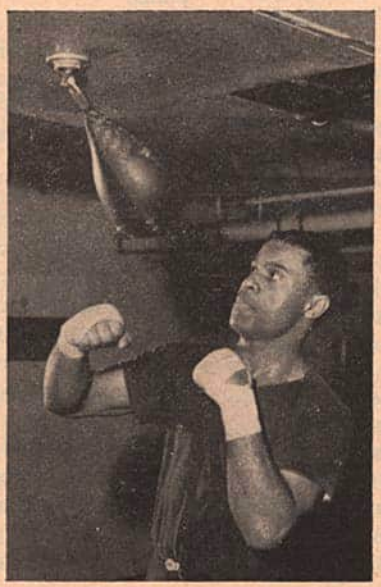
FRESH TALENT SPARKING INTEREST IN LIGHTWEIGHTS

By LEW ESKIN

"Irish" Johnny Gilmore, former National AAU champion from Philadelphia, Pa.

Hard punching teenager, Raul Rojas, of San Pedro, Calif. who is undefeated.

Former Asian amateur titleholder, Kang Bu Yong, of Seoul, Korea.



"Sweet Sid" O'Bard, San Diego, Calif. rated a fine prospect.

OVER the years the 135 pound class has ranked right up with the heavyweight and middleweight divisions in popular appeal.

One of the reasons for this has been the action providing boxers who have fought in the class. Although the number of fighters has fallen off, the lightweights still are providing plenty of thrills.

Four relative novices who are helping to keep the class alive are "Irish" Johnny Gilmore, of Philadelphia; Raul Rojas and Sid O'Bard, of California; and Kang Bu Yong, of Korea.

Bu Yong, although a professional for less then two years, has made rapid strides and is listed the No. 2 contender for Flash Elorde's Orient crown. One of the main reasons for his comet-like rise is the 100 amateur bout career that gave him a seasoning that most fighters lack.

Starting out as a skinny bantamweight he fought his way to both the Korean and Asian championships, while losing only two decisions during his four year amateur career. He later reversed both of those defeats before turning pro.

After winning his first two fights in Seoul by knockouts in November of 1962, Kang headed for Japan, where he fought eight times in the next year, winning all but two, which were draws. He made a trip to the Philippines, where he lost hair-line verdicts against Randolf Masula and Pedro Adigue. So far in 1964 he has won two of three bouts, his most recent one a victory over Kim Ki Soo in a return to Korea.

As a pro, Kang's record shows ten wins, three losses and two draws. He has scored six kayos and his victims include Hideto Kobayashi, Ric Penalosa, Takeshi Matsumoto and Buen Abulencia.

Like most Oriental boxers he has an aggressive style, plus the ring generalship gained during his long apprenticeship in the amateur ranks.

O'Bard, known as "Sweet Sid," is a 25 year lad who was born in St. Louis, but has lived in San Diego since he was a child.

His wife Marie, and he have three children, Ruben 8, Ronnie 6, and Marcella 5. Sid became interested in boxing while a student in San Diego High School and starated to fight in the Boys' Club at fifteen.

However, it was some years later, after finishing school and while working at his present job in the Post Office, that he decided to try his hand at the sport in a serious way and entered the Golden Gloves.

Sid fought eight times, *(Continued on page 46)*

GIARDELLO AND GRIFFITH GET BELTS FROM THE RING

By NAT FLEISCHER

Middleweight and welter world champions, both residents of New Jersey, get title awards.

Middleweight Champion Joey Giardello is all smiles as he poses with THE RING belt that was presented to him by Nat Fleischer at a dinner in his honor in Paterson, N.J. Left to right, are State Senator Anthony Grossi, Paterson Mayor Frank Graves, Giardello, Promoter Lou Duva, Fleischer, and WBA Commissioner Abe J. Greene.

New Jersey Gov. Richard J. Hughes presented THE RING belt to Welterweight Champion Emile Griffith at the State House in Trenton. Also on hand were left to right Chris Jackmann, advisor and friend of the champion, Mayor William Musto of Union City, and Nat Fleischer, who figured in the presentation with the governor.

THE year 1963 will long be remembered by boxing fans as the one in which the largest number of world championships changed hands. There were eight—two in the flyweight division, two in the middleweight, one each in the light heavyweight, middleweight, welter and featherweight classes. Since The Ring Magazine awards a belt to every boxer who wins a crown, the year was a pleasantly expensive one for this publication.

On May 5 in Paterson, N. J., Joey Giardello was honored with a testimonial dinner in which he received from me the belt he won when he dethroned Dick Tiger last year in Atlantic City, to win the middleweight championship.

It was the 209th championship award made by The Ring to a title holder since 1923. That was the year Tex Rickard decided to abandon the custom inaugurated in this country by Richard K. Fox with whose death, in 1922, the original Police Gazette hit the downgrade.

A fortnight after the Giardello fiesta, Governor Richard J. Hughes, of New Jersey, assisted in the presentation of the Ring Championship Belt to Emile Griffith, the welterweight title holder, in the State House at Trenton.

I went to Trenton to make the presentation and the Governor gave the event his big blessing.

With Giardello and Griffith both residing in New Jersey, that state has a couple of worthy world champions.

To win a world championship belt is the cherished aim of every boxer. It is universally recognized as a symbol of supremacy and embodies ring romance.

In 1963 such awards were made to Pone Kingpetch, of Thailand; Hiroyuki Ebihara, of Japan; Sugar Ramos, of Mexico; Luis Rodriguez, of Cuba; Emile Griffith, of New York; Diger Tiger, of Nigeria; Joey Giardello, of Philadelphia; and Willie Pastrano, of Miami Beach.

The award perpetuates the custom started back in the days of Tom Cribb, British champion (1805-1810).

The history of the ring is replete with stirring contests, in some of which the financial gain was tremendous, as in the title bouts in which Cassius Clay, Sonny Liston, Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson participated. Sometimes, as in the era before the arrival of Jack Dempsey, the gain was small. But small or big, the newly crowned king looked forward eagerly to the symbol of his triumph—the championship belt.

Cribb was the first to receive such an award. He won the handsome trophy from King George after he had defeated Tom Molineaux, the American Negro, in their first encounter in 1810.

Jem Ward, who reigned between 1824 and 1835, was presented with a diamond studded belt donated by his admirers, when he retired, he announced that the trophy didn't belong to him. Having been given to him by the public, it was their property, he declared. He turned the belt over to his successor, William Thompson, better known as Bendigo.

Nicholas Ward, brother of Jem, was the next title holder and belt winner. Later, when Tom Sayers achieved the crown, he received the most costly trophy given to any champion up to that time.

Then came the international battle between Sayers and John C. Heenan of America, which aroused such keen interest, that for the first time American reporters were sent overseas to cover the fight. *(Continued on page 46)*

THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

AS we go to press the best of the U.S. amateur wrestlers are sharpening up for the final Olympic tryouts at the World's Fair on August 24 to 28. From out of the pack will come nineteen athletes who will mass at the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo., where their final conditioning for the Olympics in Tokyo will be handled. The budget for the U.S. Olympic team is $30,000.

Tex Riley, a veteran of the mat world passed away recently in Savannah, immediately after a match in which he and his partner, Joe Scarpa, met the Von Brauner Brothers . . . Riley complained of chest pains right after their bout and was taken to the Memorial Hospital where he died.

Argentina Rocca, whose television show emanating from New York left something to be desired, is now on tour and making a big success, as befits a man of his talents . . . His most recent triumphs have been in Atlanta.

Ernie Ladd, nicknamed "The Cat," a star on the champion San Diego Chargers of the American Football League, and good enough to play in the All Star game was asked about football and wrestling. He said: "I'd like to continue to play football for a few more years so as to qualify for my pension and then I'd like to devote all my time to wrestling and the big money." He continued: "Wrestling three or four times a week is a lot tougher on a guy than playing ball but it pays a lot more."

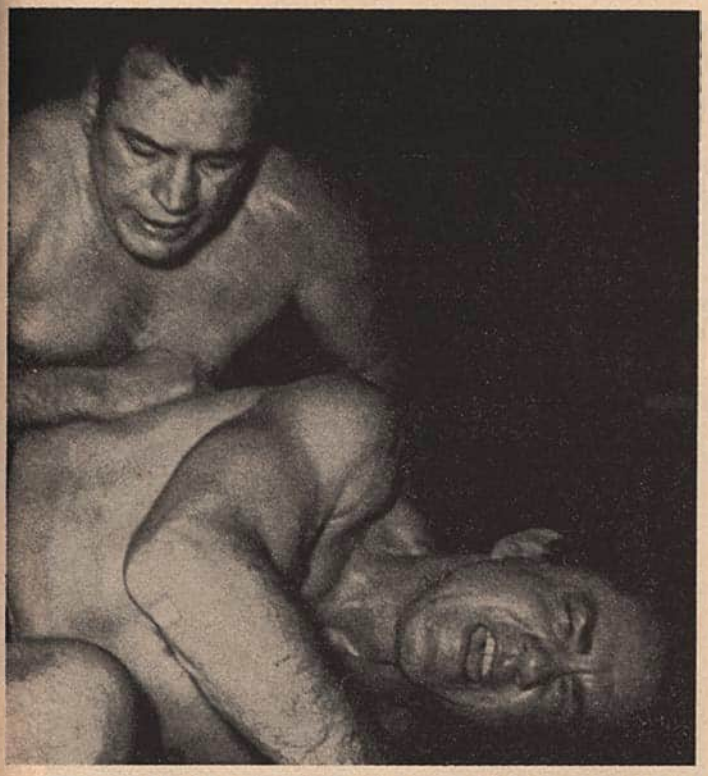
Word from King Jack, a Marine who has been doing a lot of wrestling as a pro. . . . He's on Okinawa, where he expects to continue his life as a member of the Corps and wrestle a little on the side.

Tony Borne, on the Pacific Coast, has a manoeuver called the Cannonball that leaves opponents in a state of despair. . . . He flips from about twelve feet off of the ground, from the top ropes, to demobilize his rival.

Out Seattle way Patrick Hayes and Ron Forsell have been doing a bang-up job of sportscasting TV wrestling over station KIRO on Saturday evenings from six to seven.

Larry Hennig, doing so well in Minnesota territory, is also the Texas champ. . . . Another doing well for promoter Wally Karbo in Minneapolis rings is the former European champion Rene Goulet.

Did you know that. . . . Sailor Art Thomas, 370 pound top notcher, was once the pride of the Merchant Marine? That he



At the Park Center in Charlotte, Tommy O'Toole, seen with painful armlock on Billy Cash, continued to put the pressure on to win with a body press.

Diamond Lil, forty four inches of mayhem, who has become a popular part of Buddy Lee's stable of beautiful gals.

OPPOSITE PAGE:—
Vickie Page in process of flipping Brenda Scott in match won by Miss Page despite the courageous stand put up by La Scott. Vickie's punishing tactics were the deciding factors.

took on all comers in every port of call before he turned to the pro ranks?

In Tokyo, a nineteen year old Hawaiian, Jesse Kuhaulua, who wrestles under the name of Takamiyama, won the novice crown of Japanese sumo wrestling.

Morris P. Sigel, Houston promoter, is reported by Jack Pfefer, Wildman Fargo's manager, as having offered Lou Thesz $50,000 to lay his title on the line. . . . Fargo is alleged to be in possession of two world title championship versions and two diamond belts.

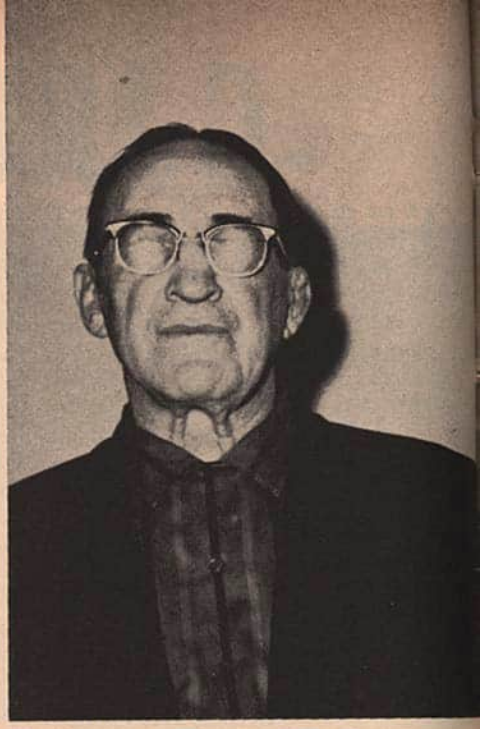
Tarzan Tyler, who won a version of the heavyweight crown from Eddie Graham in Georgia, is gaining in stature as a potential world champion. . . . If he can only get a crack at the title held by Thesz.

Wilbur Snyder and Dick The Bruiser are doing a good job as co-promoters in Indianapolis, where the Wilburs now make their home.

Bob Whitlow, Detroit Lions footballer and grappler, is married, with one child. . . . His fan club is headed up by Betty Clark of 1510 Church Street, Flint, Mich.

Whipper Watson, spectacular and controversial Canadian grappler, is something to behold when he uses his "show boat" hold. . . . It is the Canadian Avalanche, in which an opponent is taken over a series of cart wheels and ends up on his back with a nerve wracking crash.

A movement is under way to get approval by the New York State Commission to allow women's wrestling.



SAMMARTINO BEATS MONSOON

Bruno Sammartino's championship belt lost some of its luster last month when he was held to a 70-minute draw by Gorilla Monsoon. Recently, however, before 16,781 wrestling fans at Madison Square Garden, Sammartino stormed out of his corner and won the first fall in 24 seconds.

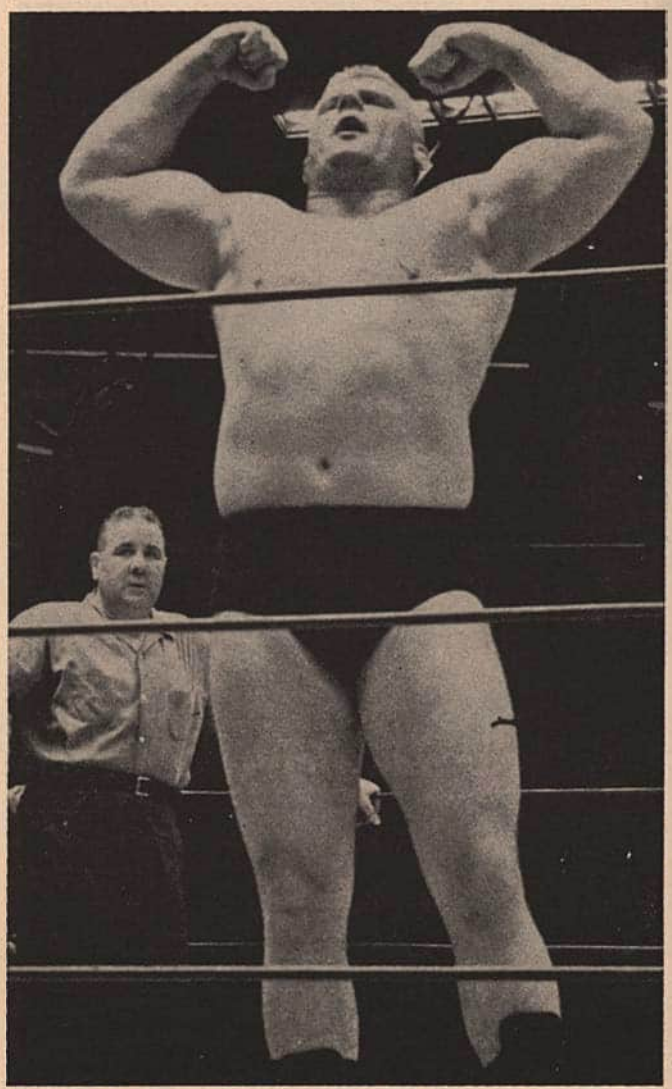
The second fall went to the 345-pound Monsoon, a Manchurian, in 14:12. Then, 11 minutes 36 seconds later, the 262-pound Sammartino from Abruzzi, Italy, pounced on Monsoon for the deciding fall.

The gate, in the first Saturday night of Garden wrestling this season, was $52,178.59.

In other matches, Don McClarity of Omaha, 254, defeated Bulldog Cannon of Hamilton, Ont., 335, in 5:28 and Pedro Morales of Puerto Rico, 223, beat Boris Malenko of Tampa, Fla., 228, in 10:14. Miguel Perez of San Juan, P. R., 221, was the winner over Lou Albano of Mount Vernon, N. Y., 238, in 7:45.

In tag team matches, Ernie (Cat) Ladd of San Diego, Calif., and Bobo Brazil of Benton Harbor, Mich., total weight 600, defeated Hans and Max Mortier of Nurenberg, Germany, 520, and Jerry and Luke Graham of Phoenix, Ariz., 594, defeated the Kentuckians (Jake Brown and Luke Smith), 615.

Killer Kowalski of Detroit, 257, drew with Cowboy Bill Watts of Oklahoma, 294.



Crusher Lisowski growls: "I'm the best in the world," after his victory over Johnny Valentine in bout that had the fans on their feet.

NORTH AMERICAN NEWS
BY TERRY JUSTICE

Pat O'Connor is on the comeback trail, with victories over Ray Stevens, Fritz VonErich, and Dr. Big Bill Miller. He is headlining Kansas wrestling cards.

Dr. Jerry Graham and brother Eddie apparently have no plans to reunite. Their personalities are completely different.

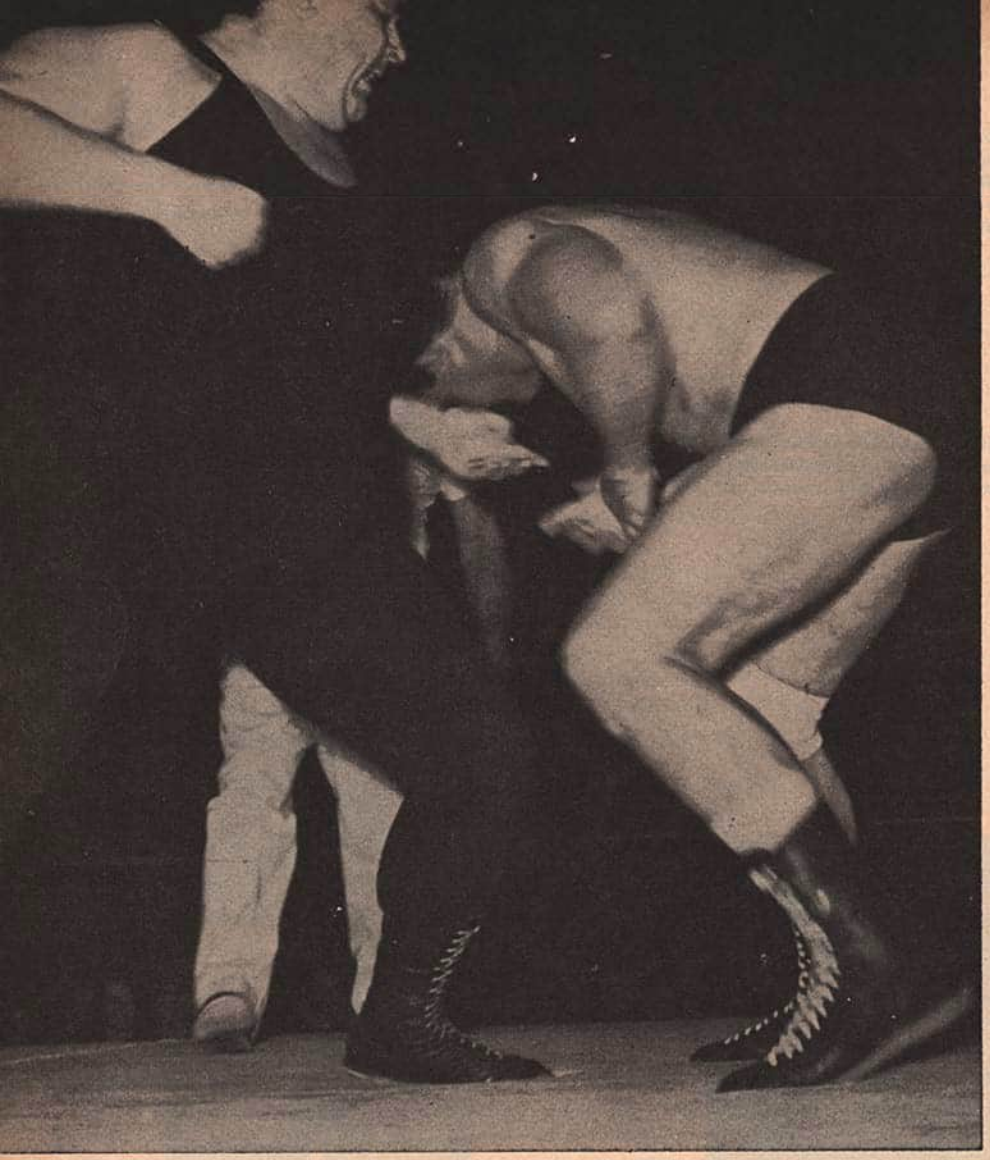
Woody Strode, a former wrestler, appeared in the movie "Tarzan's Three Challenges." He was the villain.

Hiro Matsuda failed in his attempt to lift the Southern championship from Bob Ellis. Matsuda was disqualified when partner Duke Keomuka, a participant in an earlier match, entered the ring illegally.

Two mat veterans who were headliners during the early 1940's. Left. Earl (Pappy) Wampler with Wally Dusek, who will be remembered as a part of the four-brother "Rough house gang." (Photo by Gene Gordon).

Sylvia Torres, strong and fast moving gal from Havana, whose determination and ability are developing a big demand for her services.

Rickie Starr takes a night off from his wrestling chores in England to don black tie and entertain at night club with his song and dance act.



George (Baby Blimp) Harris, shows the rough, tough form that has made him a winner and a favorite in Southern territory.

Nady Jacky poses with her dog in ring that has made her a fortune. The bare-footed Leopard Gal of France has struck fear into opponent's hearts by her working knowledge of Judo, Jiu-Jitsu and Karate.

ACTION AND NEWS

BY EARLE F. YETTER

Moving through the Summer, wrestling promises bigger things for the Fall and Winter. There is no letdown and, in some spots, there has been an amazing spurt in attendance and enthusiasm. New customers are coming in, and promoters are thinking hard. They are on the prowl for "something new, something intriguing, something super-spectacular." One of the most ardent prowlers is Pedro Martinez, of the Buffalo area.

The new season in upstate New York will get under way soon with startling attractions. Martinez, who has rightfully been called "The Barnum of Wrestling," has been scouting new attractions in an effort to get the new season off with a splurge.

When The Mongol appeared in the East about a year ago, he was considered unbeatable. But he seems to be meeting tough opposition around Seattle, Washington, where he has lost several bouts.

Some of the Canadian wrestlers who have been matched with Prof. Hiro, karate expert from Tokyo, seek to bar him from using his deadly karate chops. Manager Fred Atkins says Hiro is within his rights to use the lethal blows, which can incapacitate a wrestler in short order.

Bearcat Wright, considered Champion on the West Coast, insists he is broke. Wright apparently needs a manager.

Donn Lewin, Buffalo heavyweight, a national star, takes offense at scribes who say he is in the midst of a comeback.

Lewin who has reached his prime and is in the best shape of his career, will see plenty of action in the East during the coming season. *"I have not been away from wrestling, so how can I be making a comeback?"* he queries.

Abe Zvonkin, former heavyweight from Hamilton, Ont., has joined the ranks of referees after an illustrious career on the mat. Abe has been doing an excellent job in keeping the more belligerent boys in line. He makes them stick to the rules.

When Johnny Barend faced Ilio Di Paolo in Buffalo not so long ago, it soon became apparent that here was a real scientific bout, and that is what it turned out to be. When referee Joe Muscato tried to keep the boys apart during the rough going, Barend told Muscato to sit in the corner.

"We don't need any referee," Barend advised. *"Take it easy, because you only hinder us when you try to interfere."* The boys went to an interesting stalemate when that old bug-aboo, the curfew, terminated the action.

IN THE EAST
BY DOROTHY FREDMAN

Bruno Sammartino faced Killer Kowalski in West Hempstead, L. I. The Killer used the dangerous claw hold on Bruno's back and aimed for the left arm. Trying to weaken the muscles, Bruno sent Kowalski flying into the ring post. He was swinging madly and missing his target. When both wrestlers were bouncing off the ropes they collided and were knocked out. Bruno got up and won in 15:40 because the Polish giant could not continue.

Pedro Morales, the Puerto Rican, squared off against Arnold Skoaland, the favorite of the fans. They produced a clean, skillful and exciting match. Both were speedy with a variety of holds, which led to a thirty minute draw.

Hans and Max Mortier opposed Cowboy Bill Watts and Don McClarity who had their work cut out for them. Max pinned Don in 8:40. The Cowboy went in and won the second fall in 7:20. Max had powerful punches that staggered Bill Watts and Hans took care of McClarity.

Before the Mortiers could sew up the third fall they were disqualified giving the fall to their opponents in 2:28.

Larry Simon tried to slow down Bo Bo Brazil. Boris was down on his knees begging for mercy and Brazil obliged by giving him the abdominal stretch, winning the match in 9:05.

Miguel Perez took a lot of punishment from Matt Gilmer. Miguel, fast and agile, defeated Matt in 15:20.

PHILADELPHIA PINS
BY BOB WECKESSER JR.

The first three matches were composed of six newcomers to Philadelphia rings. In the first bout, Dave Morgan disposed of Frank Hickey in 17:43. Dave stopped Frank with a good old bodyblock and press. Frank's wrestling outfit looks something like a combination of the costumes of Captain Marvel, Superman and the U.S. Horse Cavalry.

The second bout, and my favorite preliminary match, put rough Frank Martinez against newcomer Matt Gilmer. Matt reminded me of Edouard Carpentier with a few of his holds and escapes. Dropkicks and a press put Frank away in 17:45.

The third bout saw Jerry "Duke" Miller go against Humberto Macardo. Jerry, a very capable wrestler, defeated Humby with a piledriver and press in 16:47. Humberto, not satisfied to take the loss, started bothering Duke as he left the ring. Duke gave him another 'driver. Mac then called it quits.

The next bout, which promised to be a great battle, never had enough time to get started. Ernie Ladd vs. Killer Kowalski was scheduled to be a 30:00 match. It started off great, Killer using some of his "aggressive" tactics, Ernie battling back. Killer used his claw a few times. At one point, Ernie slammed his head repeatedly into the turnbuckle. Killer slugged him to the floor, and then he began slamming his own head into the 'buckle. I really thought that Killer was getting tipsy, when he stopped hitting his head and began jumping across the ring, right on Ernie's stomach! Ugh! He did this once more. Then Ernie retaliated, and it turned into a real brawl. Just as I thought that someone would get pinned, the short time limit ran out. Ernie and Killer were still slugging away. They called the bout a draw.

In the feature bout two of the most popular wrestlers ever to wrestle in Philadelphia, Bruno Sammartino, the champion, and Bobo Brazil, the challenger were brought together. Bruno came out with Miguel Perez as a cornerman; Bobo had Ernie Ladd. It started in the usual manner; Bobo tried to get Bruno in the abdominal stretch a few times, but Bruno got out. Bruno tried his bear hug on Bobo, but Bobo escaped. Bruno would foul Bobo. Bobo would get him on the ropes, pull back his head as if to give a coco-butt, and then point a threatening finger at Bruno which meant, "If you don't watch yourself, you'll get it!" After a few more tussels, Bruno floored Bobo.

With Bobo on the floor, Bruno knee-dropped to his head. Bobo got up and gave Bruno a couple coco-butts. Bruno fell to the mat and the crowd roared. The ref started to say something to Bobo. I was winding my camera and when I looked up, the ref was on the mat, a victim of a butt. Ernie Ladd, who was sitting right in front of me, jumped into the ring to quiet Bobo. Clunk! Bobo butted Ernie also. Ernie finally calmed Bobo; the ref disqualified Bobo and raised Bruno's hand in victory.

The last bout was a tag-team affair in which the Mortier Bros., Hans and Max, went against Pedro Morales and Miguel Perez. After some good action from both sides, Miguel pinned Max in 5:35. In the second fall, Max avenged his defeat by pinning Miguel in 8:33. In the third fall, Pedro and Hans were having it out. Pedro got Hans to the mat and then climbed on the top rope. He jumped and missed his man. Hans pinned him easily in 2:26.

NEWS FROM THE CAROLINAS
BY GENE GORDON

Ronnie Etchison recently made his first appearance in this area and immediately made a hit with fans overnight with his spectacular style of wrestling. The Missouri fireball has gained an army of admirers all over the Carolinas and Virginia since his debut of a short time ago. A top notcher for several years now, this outstanding mat artist deserves mention as one of the best around today.

Back in the area after a long absence is Chris Averoff. Chris, a champion of Greece is a capable veteran who is a welcome addition to any mat program.

Johnny Weaver and Jack Lanza gave the masked Bolas a run for their money in the main event at Park Center which was a thriller. A close match all the way with the Bolos winning a hotly disputed edge.

Frank Valrois battled to a draw with newcomer Alex Medina while another new face, Jack Kelley upset Joe Tomasso in the curtain riser.

The Bolos won another rough battle which was a wild brawl from the word go over Bronco Lubich and Aldo Bogni in a "Texas Royal" match.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA NEWS
BY LINDA POUNDERS

The feud between Joe Scarpa and Big Stan Stasiak provided the fans with rough, action-filled matches. In a main event that kept the fans on their feet Scarpa defeated Stasiak. The loser had to leave Georgia. Before Stasiak left, he vowed to return and get even.

In a tag team match, the Bavarian Boys won over veterans of the ring, Red Roberts and Red Steiner. The Von Brauner Bros. defeated young Ron Reid and Tex Riley. In single matches, Sputnik Monroe downed Tinker Todd and Gregg Peterson beat Johnny Heidman.

Les Wolfe is the new promoter in Atlanta. He is a former professional boxer.

TURMOIL IN TAMPA
BY D. RELNES

Tampa, Fla.—Cowboy Luttrell is doing right well with his wrestling promotions in Homer Fort Homer Hesterly Armory.

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Luttrell produced a great feature when he sent Bob Orton against Skull Murphy and Brute Bernard. Bob guaranteed to pin both the Skull and the Brute within an hour, or forfeit his pay. He forfeited, but he had the fans in a riot.

Bob knocked them both out but was disqualified by special referee Tim Woods for using the ring ropes to choke the Skull. Orton got right to his task as the bell rang and put his deadly "Piledriver" on the Canadian Vernardto put him out of action for the night.

He then went to work on Murphy and had just about polished him off when Woods thumbed him to the showers.

RALEIGH TURN BUCKLE
BY GROVER LEE

One of the nation's top tag teams, The Great Bolos, met defeat in the Capital City. The Bolos were matched at 2 out of 3 falls with Haystack Calhoun and Johnny Weaver, but Weaver and Calhoun needed only 2 falls to lay the Bolos out. The bout started with The Great Bolo charging Johnny Weaver but the agility of Weaver was too much for the hooded wrestler. Weaver threw the Bolo around for about 7 minutes using The Great One's left arm as a target. Then as Weaver threw The Great One into the ropes—he tagged Calhoun. The Great One coming off the ropes met the immovable object in mid ring. Calhoun slammed The Great One and fell across him for a Splash in 8 minutes and 30 secs.

As fall two began—The Great One was still out. The Bolo was allowed to take his place to start the fall. Weaver threw The Great One out of the ring and slammed The Bolo to the mat. Calhoun fell across him for a press in 29 seconds. This was indeed the upset of the year for the Carolina fans.

"COLUMBUS LEGLOCKS"
BY TERRY SCOTT

Johnny Valentine has moved into the mat wars in Columbus by defeating Calvin Pullin in 6:25 with two Brain Busters and a figure four leg lock.

The main event was a so-called Texas death match between Moose Cholak and Karl Gotch with Cholak pinning Gotch in 4:03 and Gotch winning the match with a suplex when Cholak could not continue.

MEMPHIS WRESTLING NEWS
BY H.W. HARRIS

Promoters John Regus, Roy Welch and Nick Gulas are really packing the house at Memphis Ellis Auditorium.

Alex Perez and Tojo Yamamoto, the southern tag team champions continue to win their rough and dirty tactics. But Perez stated *"Let the fans holler, I don't care, I go out to win and I usually do—and that is where the money is, the winner's share of the gate."* Perez is a former Golden Glove champion from Amarill, Texas.

His partner Tojo Yamamoto is another roughie that goes in for judo chops and has an abdominal hold that is very painful and paralyzes.

RINGSIDE PITTSBURGH
BY WAYNE LINK

For another great crowd in Pittsburgh's Civic Arena, Toots Mondt lined up another spectacular.

Johnny DeFazio pinned Arnold Skoaland after Arnie missed a body slam, in 10:58.

Hungarian Champion Ace Freeman fought to a draw with the Masked Destroyer. The Destroyer barely missed having his mask removed and continued fighting after the bell had sounded the end of the match, in 20:00.

RINGSIDE-IOWA
BY TOM HANKINS

The big news in the Hawkeye State is that the "Missouri Mauler," Rocky Hamilton, was finally beaten for his AWA Heavyweight Championship. The man who ended Rocky's seven month reign was Sonny Myers, favorite of Iowa mat fans.

The match was even at one fall each when referee Jack Crawford awarded the title and match to Myers because Hamilton kept running out of the ring. A rematch is in the making.

The "Battling Bulldogs," Lee Henning and Danny Plechas, are the top tag team in Iowa. They hold the Central States title. They have defeated Bob Geigle and Rocky Hamilton, Pat O'Connor and Sonny Myers, and The Great Dane and Big Jim Grabmire.

AMONG THE CORNHUSKERS
BY JAYE L. HUEY

Omaha, Neb.—A KEY KETV, Channel 7, wrestling show arranged by Joe Dusek, produced these results, with never a dull moment.

Reggie Parks beat Jose Quintero in two straight falls, total time 7.49.

Dr. Bill Miller won over Frisco Montana in 4.05.

Mitsu Arakawa defated Baron Von Strauss in the brief time of 3.03.

Mad Dog Vachone took 6.40 to dispose of Harkey Race.

ON THE MAT
BY FRANK MOTT

Los Angeles, California—The Olympic Auditorium, scene of a riot a few days earlier, played host to a return match between Dick the Bruiser and Freddie Blassie this week with some mis-givings. This time the rioting was confined to the men in the ring. At their first match The Bruiser had worn Blassie down and won the match on a mis-que by Blassie.

After each man had won a fall by their usual methods, the third fall was wide open and was declared a draw when neither man could go on. The Bruiser is known in Southern California as the Hvt. champ by virtue of his previous win over Blassie.

NOTES—Mike Sharpe is working for a brewery, in addition to his mat work.... Art Neilson has brought his brother Stan into the So. Cal. area for team matches.

BATTLING AMONG THE IRISH
BY SEAN MURPHY

Belfast, Ireland—Kings Hall was filled to capacity for the return visit of Ricky Starr. This boy has what it takes and delighted the crowd with his clowning and antics. Also appearing on the Bill were "Mr. T.V. Pallo" and George Kidd, the Lightweight Champion of the world.

The world rated "Dr. Death" made short work of the English Smoothie Jack Jefferson, it being all over in 25 minutes. The Doctor is all set for an American Tour.

Local Welterweight Darkie Arnott beat Red The Fireball (Canada) by 2 falls to 1.

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BY CHARLES MASCALL

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In another contest, a heavyweight battle between Andre Bollett, official heavyweight champion of France, and Ivan Josef Zaranoff of U.S.S.R. went to the Russian heavyweight when Bollett was disqualified.

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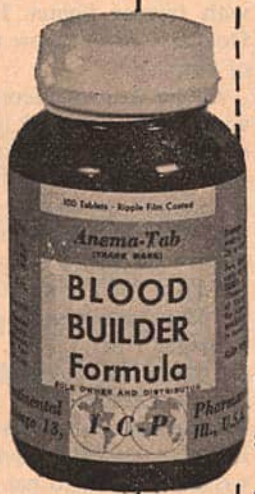

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to the urgent necessity for carefully arrived at and carefully worked out policies

Too many officials of the WBA are from areas in which boxing is dormant. They lack experience in boxing administration. They are lacking dismally in a knowledge of publicity and public relations.

The WBA has assumed a lot of authority. It lacks administrative class and what's more, for a so-called world organization, it is poverty stricken.

It would do well to dissipate the belief which exists in so many places overseas that it is a US government adjunct.

What is the position of the WBA in relation to boxing outside of the United States?

It has no alliance with the European Federation, which includes 16 countries. It has no affiliation with the British Board of Boxing Control, which some time ago quit the Federation.

The WBA is associated with the Orient Federation, which controls boxing in Japan, the Philippines and Thailand; with the Mexican Federation; and with the South American Federation.

However, the element of total friendship and cooperation is not there. The WBA presumes to tell regional officials in the Orient Federation what to do in maters which Orient organizations are better qualified to decide.

The big question is this,—Can something vital be made of the World Boxing Association? Can it be rescued from its weak political policies? Can it be turned into a powerful force for good?

The answers come to an emphatic "Yes."

The most important effort the WBA can put forth is an unselfish campaign for a Federal Boxing Administrator, who would work under the Justice Department.

The WBA should campaign for passage of the revised Kefauver Bill, now being pushed by the Senator Philip Hart, of Michigan, who has succeeded the late Senator from Tennessee as chairman of the Senate Sub-Committee on Monopolies.

The WBA must make its decisions on an association, and not on an individual, basis. Big decisions must be handled not by the president alone, but by the entire board.

The WBA must approach external considerations not with arrogance but with every effort to do the utter best for boxing, which is so badly in need of that effort.

The WBA has got to stop picking officers on the basis of line of succession.

It must stop permitting officers to go abroad to judge and supposedly supervise fights, at the expense of the promotions.

Yes, the WBA can make something of itself. But it has got to leave the comic books first.

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WHO IS FLOYD ROBERTSON?

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veteran. Since then, Robertson hadn't accomplished anything startling in either Britain or on the continent. Of course, it could have been that he was fighting as a lightweight and the extra poundage slowed him down. Or maybe he didn't take ordinary bouts too seriously. He must be a much better fighter at his own weight and fighting in Ghana. He seems to have no trouble making the featherweight limit there, and he has beaten some very good opponents. I remember his getting no better than a draw in England with Billy Calvert, yet in a return match in Ghana he knocked Calvert out. It must be the climate there, or it may be the encouragement he gets from his countrymen. It could be something of both. Whatever it is, Robertson is a tough 'un to beat in his own land.".

Neither in actual years nor in ring experience could Robertson be labelled a budding adolescent. He was born January 7, 1937, which will make him 28 on his next birthday. There is no record of his early fighting in West Africa, but he must have had some experience before 1958, when his listed career began. Early that year, "Klutei", as he is known to his countrymen, fought several times for the Ghanaian and West African featherweight titles. He held both when, later that year, he headed for the British Isles and ended up in Belfast, Ireland, with former fighter Jackie Briers as his manager. Sammy Docherty of Glasgow took over the managerial reins a couple of years ago.

Of his known record, Robertson has engaged in 36 bouts, winning 23 (10 by k.o.), drawing 4 and and losing 9. He has never been knocked out but has been stopped once on eye cuts.

Manager Docherty is so positive Robertson can whip Ramos —"again," he says—that he has offered a return match wherever and whenever the champion's board of directors decree. So far, the board hasn't displayed overwhelming enthusiasm for accommodating the Ghanaian.

"They can have it in Mexico City, where Ramos and his manager, Cuco Conde, are now living," says Docherty, "or they can have it in 'Little Cuba,' Miami Beach, where co-manager Angelo Dundee lives and brother Chris does the promoting. Furthermore, they also can have the same W.B.A. officials, Lassman and Velazquez, as judges again. That's how certain we are that Floyd can beat Ramos. This time he'll do it even more decisively than he did on Ghana, and there won't be a chance of another decision going astray."

NEW MEXICO BOXING BEAT

By Jim Cleary

ALBUQUERQUE—Boxing returned to New Mexico on Tuesday evening, May 12 at the Civic Auditorium before a slim turnout of a little over 1,000 fans.

Curtis Cokes, 144, Dallas, Texas, returned to the boxing wars after his KO by "Kitten" Haywood of Philadelphia and turned in a brilliant boxing and hitting exhibition in easily outpointing Al Fenn's classy Jr. Middleweight, Tony Montano, 150, in 10 fast rounds. Yours truly was the referee in this one.

Joe "Louis" Murphy, 146, Albuquerque, made a successful comeback and looked real good in Koing James High, 146, of Dallas, Texas, in 2:41 seconds of the first round.

Ralph Baca, 127, Albuquerque, had a ten bout winning streak snapped in a six round special by classy Ray Lewis, 125, Indianapolis. Six rounds to a decision.

Tiger Brown, 153, Dallas, Texas, took the measure of Sammy Davis Jr., 151, in the four round opener.

FLEISCHER WILL COVER BIG FIGHT IN SWEDEN

ON July 5, in Stockholm, Sweden, Floyd Patterson, former heavyweight champion, will start his rehabilitation campaign with a ten round fight with Eddie Machen.

This will be a key contest in the heavyweight situation, which has been complicated by Cassius Clay's quitting the United States, and the general lack of enthusiasm for the New York Commission's proposed elimination tournament.

The Patterson-Machen fight will be the starter of what should develop into an elimination series.

This fight deserves major coverage and will get it in The Ring Magazine from Nat Fleischer, who will fly to Sweden after having reported the Emile Griffith-Luis Rodriguez welterweight championship contest in Las Vegas.

The expert, skilled coverage of the Patterson-Machen fight by Fleischer will give to The Ring Magazine the finest reporting job available. See the September issue of this magazine for the inside story of this important match.

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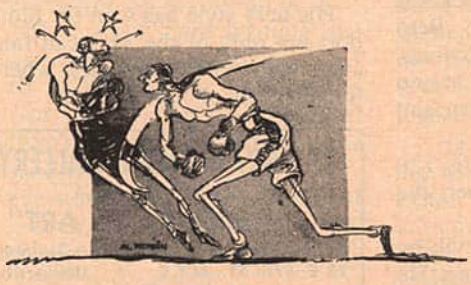

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GIARDELLO AND GRIFFITH GET BELTS FROM THE RING

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The Sayers belt was part of the stakes and when the bout, held at Farnsborough, England in 1860, was declared a draw, after thirty-seven rounds of vicious battling with a referee in charge, and five more heats without an official, after the ring had been broken into by thugs. It was decided to cut the belt and give each fighter half.

Supporters of Sayers protested vigorously against such procedure and the plan was abandoned. Instead, the belt was placed in competition and two new belts were manufactured, one presented to Heenan and the duplicate to Sayers.

The belt Sayers previously had won was turned over to Sam Hurst when he beat Tom Paddock, following Sayers' retirement. Hurst in turn yielded it to Jem Mace, who passed it on to Tom King, only to win it back shortly after.

In those days, with few exceptions, the belt was given only as a loan. When the recipient lost his title, he also lost the belt. In later years this custom was changed.

Joe Wormald, after defeating Andrew Marsden for the heavyweight crown, was the next recipient. Then for the third time Mace became its temporary owner, this time by default. Mace again put it into competition when Joe Goss and he fought a draw which lasted an hour and five minutes. Wormald, claiming the championship following the default of Ned Baldwin again got the belt.

Awards recently were made to Sugar Ramos, world featherweight champion and to Griffith, world welterweight king. Clay will receive the 210th belt when he starts training for his next fight.

It will take a long time for a boxer to equal the record of Sugar Ray Robinson, who won The Ring belt six times, once as a welterweight, and five times as a middleweight.

During the early period of American ring history, contests and belts went hand-in-hand. Fighters and managers never discussed a championship battle without insisting that a belt be part of the stakes.

Gold and diamond studded belts, artistic masterpieces, were the lure. Often the prize was worth more than the purse. Three such costly trophies are on display in The Ring Museum—the $10,000 Sullivan-Mitchell belt and the two sterling silver belts that were the property of Jem Mace, one of the most scientific boxers who ever graced the roped square.

In 1926 the costly belt which John L. Sullivan received from the citizens of Boston after he had turned down Richard K. Fox's "Dog Collar," as John L. called it, was melted in the U. S. mint of Philadelphia. The Ring Editor offered $1200, but the owner, a Baltimore junk dealer, figured he could get more by having the gold melted. All he received from Uncle Sam was $604.00.

In 1876 Fox, who had come here from Belfast, Ireland, purchased the "Police Gazette" and decided to carry on the British custom. Until he died, every champion was awarded a Gazette trophy. Belts were given to boxing title holders and gold medals to winners of other athletic events.

His most costly belt was the "Dog Collar" which he offered for a heavyweight championship match between Sullivan and Jake Kilrain, the "Police Gazette" champion. Sullivan refused to accept it because of his bitterness toward Fox for backing Kilrain.

The Lord Lonsdale awards in England and the Ring belts have been awarded over the years but whereas the Lonsdale award is given only to British subjects, The Ring belt goes to any new champion from any country.

During the last four decades many title holders have received more than one award. Every time a champion who had lost the title regained it, he received another belt. In addition, prior to World War Two, many state and sectional title holders were honored and boxers who won championships in Central and South America likewise were rewarded.

FRESH TALENT SPARKING INTEREST IN LIGHTWEIGHTS

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winning the first seven to reach the finals of the 126 pound class, where he was paired with the U.S. Marine champion Charlie Brown. Charlie had 100 fights behind him. Sid lost on a split-decision. A few months later he became a pro.

He turned pro by winning a six round decision over Lee James in Los Angeles and followed that up by winning his next ten in a row before top ranking Coast star Dwight Hawkins outpointed him in ten tough rounds.

During his streak Sid scored knockouts over Pedro Ramirez, Pelon Chaso, Beto Maldonado, Joe Rivera and Sergio Olivas. He outpointed Felipe Larrazola, Memo Ruiz, Alex Benitez, Manuel Tarazon and Ray Coleman.

A sturdy five foot five and a half, 130 pounder, O'Bard is a potent puncher, the toast of the San Diego fans.

Gilmore, who is a printer's devil by trade, is quite a litle devil in the ring. He started out as a 96 pound, 14 year old in a boys' club in his native South Philadelphia. Two years later he entered the amateurs and won the Novice flyweight crown.

In 1961 he took the open flyweight title and the following year he won the 126 pound crown. He went on to whip three opponents in one day to capture the National AAU 132 pound title in Baltimore on May 5, 1962.

His over-all record as a simon-pure was 32 wins in 36 fights. A fine athlete, he was a pitcher in high school and still finds time to play sandlot ball with the South Philadelphia Tigers.

Johnny made his pro bow three weeks after winning the National Amateur title. He has had ten fights, winning four, losing five, and boxing one draw. Although his pro record is not impressive he has met some pretty good boys, winning over Jimmy Fabrizio and Genaro Soto, and drawing with Jerry Sharpe. He has shown marked ability since returning to action after a nine month layoff by going to a draw with Sharpe. Johnny, just turned 21, feels he is ready to go for the top.

Rojas, is striving for a place along side such idols of the Mexican fans in California as Manuel Ortiz, Enrique Bolanos, Baby Arizmendi, Lauro Salas and, of course, old timers Joe Rivers, Aurillio Herrera and Battling Ortega.

This good looking curly haired 22 year old was born in San Pedro. He spent most of his youth in an orphanage and foster homes before marrying and settling down with his wife Maria in San Pedro. They await the birth of their first child.

Raul, coming from a broken home, got himself in trouble as a juvenile. It was in a Tracy A. Duval Vocational Institution that he first became interested in boxing.

A well built five foot nine inch, 130 pounder he turned pro last January and his TNT fists quickly moved him into the main bout class. Last year he went to the post fourteen times and recorded ten K.O.'s. He won three others and boxed a technical draw. His victims included Ray Coleman, Freddie Burris, Joe Jacobs, Ronnie Taylor and Julio Zungia via the short route. Frank Souza, Frankie Corpus and experienced Sergio Gomez went the limit with him.

This year Raul has had five bouts and won them all by kayos, sending Al Medrano, Ray Coleman, Pepino Morales and Joey Olguin into dreamland and beating Eloy Sanchez.

His fiery style has won for him the support not only of the Mexican fans but all aficionados in Los Angeles, where he has fought most of his contests.

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DOES LISTON KNOW WHICH END IS UP???

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When the Kentucky Commission was asked if it would okeh a Clay-Liston fight for Louisville it announced that, among other things, Sonnyboy would have to clear himself of the charges hanging over him in Denver.

These finally have been settled by a lenient judge. He fined Liston $300 for carrying a revolver and gave him a suspended sentence of 30 days. The former champion was fined another $300 for driving at a speed of 76 miles in a 30 mile zone.

Liston just will not get it into his noggin that he is not a privileged character. If he feels that he must carry a gun to protect himself he has only to apply to the cops for permission.

As for driving at a speed of 76 miles in an East Denver residential section, what is in Sonnyboy's head? Don't answer.

One of the conditions set up by the Kentucky Commission demands that Liston apply to the WBA for ranking among the first ten contenders. The WBA, with strange notions of ratings, dropped him after the Clay fight.

It is an odd concept that a fighter can petition any ranking agency to restore him to the first ten. Ratings are not based on what the rated may think about them.

The Ring Magazine considered the Liston situation logically and dispassionately and decided to keep him No. I among the contenders, where he belongs. The Kentucky Commission is naive. The WBA is still more so.

Abe Greene, the WBA commissioner, has scoffed at a return match, which "would make suckers out of millions of American boxing followers, and a mockery of boxing administration."

The Commissioner pointed to the need for Federal control. So say we all of us.

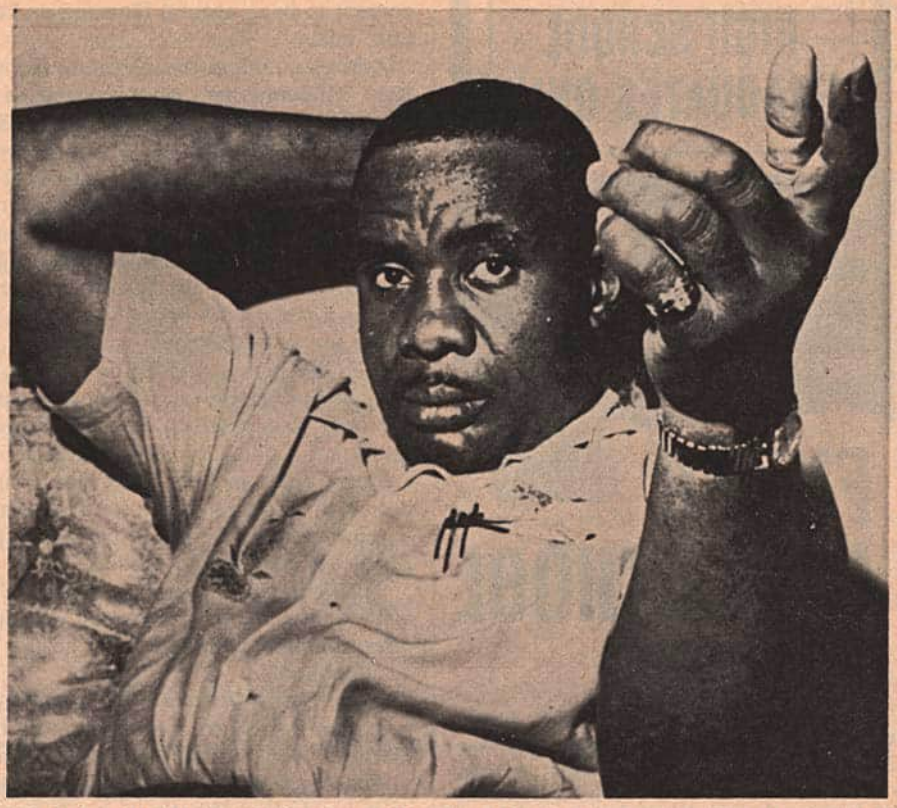
Liston talked about hard training and tip top shape. He indicated that he didn't think much of his training regimen and condition for the mess in which he lost the title sitting in his corner waiting for the seventh round bell.

The inside story of Liston's training, of his being in such bad condition that he ran out of gas in only 18 minutes of action, doubtless never will be told.

Liston is much older than he says he is, and by nature he is a lazy man. During his layoff after the second KO of Floyd Patterson he got into sloppy habits.

He must have said to himself, "Why take the trouble to do any hard training? I can whip this Clay upstart in a couple of rounds, maybe as quickly as I disposed of Patterson."

So Liston cut down his road work to nothing. The lax Miami Beach Commission never took the trouble to find out just what the then champion was doing.



Sonny Liston, ex-heavyweight champ of the world, may be perplexed in some ways but he is conclusive when he points and states: "I'll be Clay's next opponent . . . of that you can be sure!"

Sonny got into the habit of hanging around a Collins Avenue fruit stand at nights, and holding court. One night he asked why the championship belt given to him by Nat Fleischer, of The Ring Magazine, was not studded with diamonds and sapphires. A few nights later Liston made himself eligible for a belt richly decorated with tin can heads and box tops.

Nilon-Liston relations are very badly in need of repair. Nilon told the Hart Committee that Liston was unable to understand financial matters except in the most elementary terms and that Sonny would not take advice except from the toadies with whom his Miami Beach camp was loaded.

"He didn't know anything about fighting then, he don't know nothing now," Liston countered. "He's only a hot dog salesman."

No information has leaked out as to what Nilon and Liston have done about dissolving their Inter-Continental partnership. Inter-Continental promoted the Miami Beach fight. How much the partnership actually has meant to Sonny in dollars nobody has been able to determine.

In fact, they say that so far Liston has received only $160,000 of the nearly $800,000 due him after the loss to Clay. The Government seized Liston's proceeds from the fight to insure payment of taxes. It's a form of financial harassment Uncle Sam adopted after his experiences with Joe Louis.

It is against boxing law everywhere for a fighter to be interested financially in the promotion of a fight in which he is involved. The WBA and the Miami Beach Commission did nothing about the Inter-Continental connection with Liston, which now must be dissolved.

In the meantime, what has become of the Great International Elimination Tournament sponsored by the New York Commission with great fanfare, and, as yet, no action?

It has turned out to be the most vehemently ignored elimination in the history of boxing. Heavyweights veer away from it as if it were some sort of cantagious source.

At the top of the list of contenders stands Liston. But he is not eligible in New York, and he is not wanted in other areas. He waits for Clay—and Mecca.

Behind Liston we find Doug Jones. He is standing on the sidelines, insisting that he does not have to go into any tournament.

This is very true. He doesn't have to work if he prefers to starve to death.

Jack Barrett, former Garden match maker, who is advising Jones, is the man who is keeping him inactive, waiting for a title shot which does not apear to lie in the offlng.

Jones could fight Cleveland Williams. Ernie Terrell could fight Williams, who is

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Terrell could go to Germany to fight Karl Mildenberger, who is rated in the Top Ten. But all that Berlin offers is $5,000. This bid is derided, and justly, by Julie Isaacson, Terrell's manager. A victory over Ernie would throw Karl right into the thick of the possible money makers. But Karl's manager wants good opposition to fight for kartofel.

It is a situation without precedent, and minus any lead to logical conclusion.

Floyd Patterson and Eddie Machen will fight in Stockholm on July 5. But that is the only match which has developed in the Great Krulewitch Tournament.

The Garden in New York had been expected to assume an important role in the development of the proposed elimination. But it has contributed nothing.

The fighters lie around in a state of complete apathy Their managers no longer offer coherent comment as a group, few as individuals.

Barrett says "We don't have to fight anybody. They have to come to us. We have the heavyweight situation tied in a knot."

True enough, in many ways. But what's in it for Jones? What's in it for boxing? Starvation?

Somebody will have to break the jam in the USA. The situation is stupid, intolerable, financially futile and unprecedently inexplicable.

Are the managers chicken? Are the fighters afraid of each other? Or are they not fighters but a lot of barbers waiting for the next tip. What in Hell is going on?

U.S. COMES UP WITH STRONG OLYMPIC SQUAD

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in 1952) since the 1924 games have three good boys but none appear to be of the caliber to go all the way.

Little Bobby Carmody, an Army lad from Brooklyn, outscored Melvin Miller, of Fairview, Montana, to take the 112.5 title.

Johnson, who defeated Spanakos, is tall for his class and moved well but in the final round, when Nick made his move, he appeared to flounder.

Charley Brown, a rough little Marine from Cincinnati, was the winner of the bout that drew the boos when the verdict was announced. His taller foe, Herb Dolloson, of the Air Force and Jacksonville, Fla. appeared to be the better fighter, but this night he was outhustled by Brown, who showed more spirit and determination.

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HERE ARE OUR OLYMPIC ENTRIES

FINAL RESULTS

FLYWEIGHTS (112.5 pounds)
Bob Carmody, Fort Campbell, Ky., Brooklyn, outpointed Mel Miller, Fairview, Mont.

BANTAMWEIGHTS (119 pounds)
Lou Johnson, Bolling AFB, Portland Ore., outpointed Nick Spanakos, Fort Sill, Okla., Brooklyn.

FEATHERWEIGHTS (125 pounds)
Charles Brown, Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marines, outpointed Herb Dolloson, Bolling AFB, Jacksonville, Fla.

LIGHTWEIGHTS (132.5 pounds)
Ron Harris, Detroit, outpointed Bobby Valdez, USS Prairie, San Luis, Colo.

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHTS (140 pounds)
Charley Ellis, 8th Infantry Division Europe, Louisville, outpointed Jodie Harris, Bolling AFB, Portland, Ore.

WELTERWEIGHTS (148 pounds)
Maurice Frilot, Camp Pendleton, Calif., Marines, outpointed Jesse Valdez, Houston, Tex.

LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHTS (156 pounds)
Toby Gibson, Spokane, Wash., knocked out Ray Owens, Ft. Campbell, Clarksville, Tenn., 43 seconds of 3d round.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS (165.5 pounds)
Jimmy Rosette, Ream Air Field, Navy, San Diego, outpointed Martin Berzewski, Hamilton AFB, Seattle.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS (178.5 pounds)
Harley Cooper, Offutt AFB, Omaha, outpointed Bob Christopherson, Hamilton AFB, Minneapolis

HEAVYWEIGHT (over 178.5 pounds)
Buster Mathis, 295, Grand Rapids, Mich., outpointed Joe Frazier, 195, Philadelphia.

ALTERNATES

FLYWEIGHTS: Melvin Miller, Fairview, Mont. or Mike Adams, Camp LeJuene Marines, El Paso, Texas.

BANTAMWEIGHTS: Arthur Jones, Hamilton AFB, Calif., Augusta Ga.

FEATHERWEIGHT: Herb Dolloson, Bolling AFB, Jacksonville, Fla.

LIGHTWEIGHT: Bobby Valdez, USS Praire, San Luis, Colo. and Jimmy Wright of Okinawa Marines, Omaha, Neb.

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHT: Jodie Harris, Bolling AFB, Portland Ore.

WELTERWEIGHT: Jesse Valdez Houston, Tex.

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHT: Joe Smith, U.S. Army, Philadelphia, Pa.

MIDDLEWEIGHT: Martin Berzewski, Hamilton AFB, Seattle, Wash.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT: Bob Christopherson, Hamilton AFB, Minneapolis, Minn. and Art Redden, Camp LeJuene Marines, Wilmington, Del.

HEAVYWEIGHT: Joe Frazier, Philadelphia, Pa. or Dick Pettigrew, U.S. Navy, Tyler, Tex.

WORLD RATINGS

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of his excellent battle.

Ralph Dupas of New Orleans, a veteran in the international rankings, has been dropped from sixth to eighth while Francois Pavilla of France and Gasper Ortega of Mexico, each advanced one peg to sixth and seventh respectively in the welterweight class.

The junior welters, an active division, has only three changes, one of which brings the Italian star, former Olympic competitor, Sandro Lopopolo into fourth position. He replaces Rodolfo "Tito" Marshall of Panama, who was dropped to sixth. Doug Vaillant of Cuba has been shifted from sixth to fifth.

The defeat of Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., by Dave Charnley, caused a wholesale shift in the lightweight class. Lane is now second choice, with Carlos Hernandez of Venezuela dropped from second to third; Bunny Grant of Jamaica, from third to fourth and Paulie Armstead of Los Angeles, going into Charnley's old fifth post.

Angel Garcia of France is ranked sixth, replacing Alfredo Urbina of Mexico, dropped to ninth.

Frankie Narvaez of New York, who won a split decision over Johnny Bizzarro of Erie, Pa., in Madison Square Garden, is rapidly forging to the top. He advanced from ninth to seventh among the lightweight contenders.

Bizzarro's excellent performance enabled him to retain the top challenger's position among the junior lightweights. Ray Adigan of Nigeria advanced from seventh to sixth and Kazuo Takayama of Japan dropped from sixth to eighth.

Young Terror of the Philippines has been eliminated to make room for Willi Quatour of Germany, rated seventh.

With Quatour's shift from the featherweights, class to the junior lightweights, Vicente Saldivar of Mexico has entered the select circle among the feathers. He is ranked eighth and Antonio Herrera of Colombia replaces Quatour in seventh position.

Don Johnson of Los Angeles and Howard Winstone of Wales, each gained one peg in the international standing, in second and third posts, with Ismael Laguna of Panama dropped from second to fourth following his defeat by Saldivar.

There are no changes in the bantam class in which Eder Jofre, Sao Paulo, holder of the world crown, expects to resume activity shortly and defend his crown in California.

Leo Zulueta of the Philippines and Raton Mojica of Nicaragua, ranked in the last issue ninth and tenth respectively, have been eliminated, the former, because of his defeat by undefeated Baby Lorona of the Philippines and Mojica due to inactivity.

Lorona by beating a rated fighter, has joined the top ten in last position and Rocky Gattalari of Australia, the best of the talent Down Under, has gained the ninth post.

Mojica has been trying hard to get a fight with a ranked flyweight, but has been unsuccessful.

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SEEN AND HEARD

By JERSEY JONES

TED KID LEWIS RETURNS

IT WAS some thirty-six years since Ted (Kid) Lewis had last been seen in New York.

What was he doing in town now?

"A holiday; what you'd call a vacation," he said. "I have a brother and a sister living here, and I wanted to see them again after all these years. I also wanted to get another peek at New York and see if it had changed much since I was last here."

Lewis' only obvious concession to the passing years was his hair, which had turned white. Otherwise there was little in his physical appearance to suggest he was only a couple months short of reaching the biblical allotment of three-score-years-and-ten. He looked twenty years younger than the 70 he'll be on October 24.

One of boxing's all-time greats, Lewis' busy ring career spanned two decades. Not yet 16, he began operations as a flyweight in 1910, and finished in 1929, at 35, as a middleweight. (He even fought heavyweights on occasion.) The record books credit him with a total of 250 bouts, but Ted insisted the actual figure was nearer to 300. "Fighters fought so often in those days," he said, "that many bouts became lost or mislaid and never got into the record books. Take, for instance, my series with Jack Britton for the welterweight championship. Official figures say we fought twenty times, an all-time record for a title series. I'm sure we fought even more. I remember one bout in Toledo, another in Syracuse, and we also boxed at least once in Cleveland. Those bouts never got into Britton's record or mine."

A WORLD TRAVELER

Lewis' ubiquitous career carried him pretty well all over what then comprised the boxing world. By the time he was 19, Ted had acquired both the British and the European featherweight titles, and his junketing began shortly after. First, he headed for a six-months' stay and a series of bouts in Australia, where he grew into a lightweight. From there, he moved on to the United States and the next five years kept busy bouncing all over the American landscape. He also made a jaunt to Havana, Cuba; several to Toronto and Montreal in Canada, and was a member of an expedition that left from New York in a not-too-successful attempt to popularize boxing in Argentina.

"We were a few years too soon," he said, referring to the South American trip, "but we planted the seeds there, and they didn't take too long to grow."

For the next eight years Lewis was a regular commuter between the United States, Britain and the European continent, and in 1927 he added South Africa to the itinerary.

Ted's active career ended late in 1929 when he knocked out an old rival, Johnny Basham, in London.

Since then, Lewis has been associated with a variety of enterprises in London, among them a night club and a haberdashery. For a brief spell, he also managed a couple of fighters. In recent years he has been on the payroll of a son, a successful producer of commercial motion pictures in England.

What did Lewis think of the current fighters and the boxing business in general?

"Times and conditions change," he said, "and I think the main problem with boxing now is that it has too much competition from other sports, and too many distractions for boys who want to become boxers. They seem to be in too much of a hurry, and don't want to spend the time learning the trade properly."

HOW HE STARTED

How did Lewis (born Gershon Mendeloff in the St. George's section of London) get into the boxing business?

"My father was a cabinet maker, and a good one," he explained. "I was learning the trade from him, but times were tough, money was scarce, and my parents were having rough going trying to raise a big family. I felt that boxing would give me a chance to pick up a few shillings and an occasional pound to help out at home.

"I lived in a tough neighborhood, where a kid had to learn early how to handle his fists, and I guess I did my learning quickly.

"Once I began boxing, I received some fine encouragement from my mother. I came home one night and handed over a fistful of coins to her. She wanted to know where I got them. I told her. I expected a scolding, but didn't get it. Instead, she said: 'You fight in the streets for nothing. Now you fight in a club and get paid. That's smart. Stay away from fighting in the streets and do your fighting in a club.' "

Of the many headline ringmen Lewis met during his long, eventful career, which ones would he rate as tops?

The hardest puncher, Charley White. The flashiest performer, Mike Gibbons. The smartest defensive boxer, Jack Britton. The toughest slugger, Mike O'Dowd. The best all-around craftsman, Benny Leonard.

An all-star array that was hard to beat. But, then, Ted (Kid) Lewis also was a tough 'un to beat. He knew how to fight.

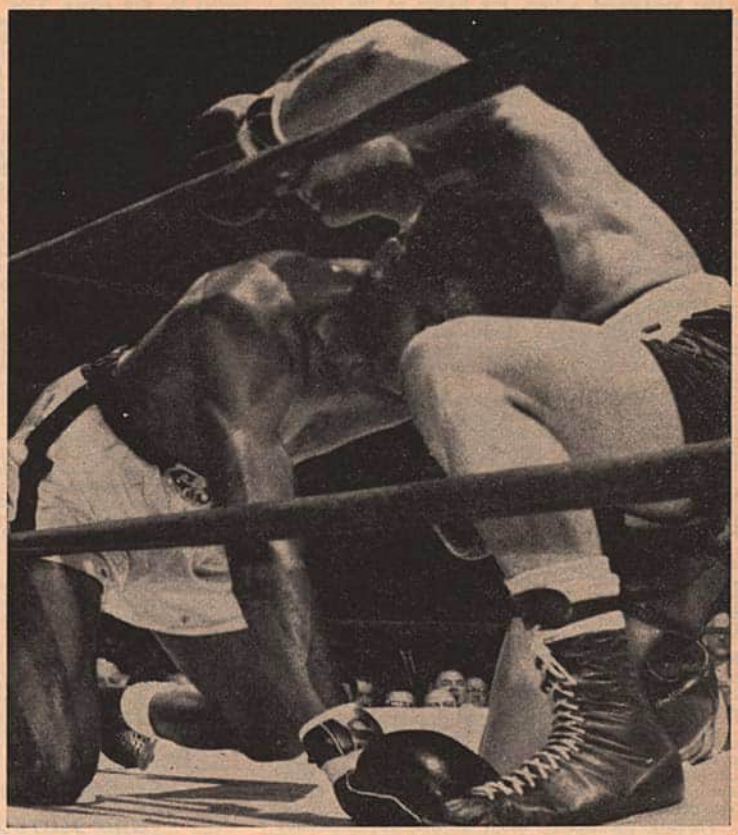
AN AMERICAN FLYWEIGHT

A note from Don Elbaum, hustling promoter who operates out of Erie and keeps action stirring in neighboring Pennsylvania and Ohio communities:

"You've been bemoaning the disappearance of little fellows —flyweights and bantamweights—from the American boxing scene. Well, here's a name to tab for the not-too-distant future: Cowboy Billy Smith of Steubenville, Ohio. He's a flyweight, and has won twelve straight, eight by k.o., since turning pro. This kid can box and punch and he has a chin like iron. Within a year he should be ready to bid for the world title, and don't be surprised if he wins it. Scaling 112 pounds, Smith had his

choice of being a jockey or a fighter. He chose fighting, and won't regret it."

Incidentally, Elbaum is one promoter who doesn't mind filling in on his own card when a substitute is needed. Don was bitten by the boxing bug while serving with the Army in Korea, and he's never rid himself of the infection. We wouldn't know Elbaum's age, but it's ten years since he began promoting, so he must be in the early or mid-30s by now, and twice so far this year he has fought in four-round preliminaries on his own shows in Ohio, losing a decision in Painesville and boxing a draw in Akron.



Jose Torres tumbles to the canvas after missing a wild swing in eighth round of Madison Square Garden bout, and his opponent, Wilbert McClure, falls over him. Torres won decision in ten rounds.

AROUND THE RING

While on the subject of busy ring activity, three small-time organizations in the Miami area, operating as Little River, North Dade and Opa-Locka, have been promoting weekly, and giving ambitious kids ample opportunity to fight often. The busiest so far is Jerry Powers, a St. Louis featherweight, who, in five months, packed in nineteen bouts.

The North Dade outfit recently offered a unique card—the fights were held on a chartered ship that anchored beyond the three-mile limit on the Atlantic Ocean!

Still discussing unusual ring activity, it looks as though Gaspar Ortega, veteran Mexican welterweight, who also fights middleweights (what are a few pounds here and there?) is chasing after some sort of modern record for a main-event performer. Ortega totalled 22 fights in 1962, another 22 in 1963, and this year is well on his way to bettering those figures. For the first five months of 1964, he crowded in 16 bouts, and spread his appearances among the United States, Mexico France, Italy and Hawaii.

A durable lightweight journeyman of the late '20s and early '30s, Joe Trabon, at the age of 60, recently retired from the Kansas City police force after thirty years of service. During his ring career, Trabon tangled with the likes of Sammy Mandell, Louis (Kid) Kaplan, Bruce Flowers and Ruby Goldstein.

A BINGHAMTON PARTY

It seems somewhat ironic that with boxing activity fading in so many once popular fight centers, more social organizations of surviving old-timers are popping into existence.

Rings (or chapters) of the Veteran Boxers Association now number twenty throughout the United States, and others are in the process of joining. V.B.A. activities have become so frequent that Packey O'Gatty's monthly reports on them are now regular features of The Ring.

This commentator has attended quite a few V.B.A. and similar affairs, but none with a more personal appeal than one staged recently in Binghamton, N.Y., by the Old-Time Boxers of New York's Southern Tier.

It was something of a "homecoming" for us. During the '20s and '30s we put in considerable time in the Parlor City, promoting fights and managing fighters, but we hadn't been there since 1941, and it was a real treat going back for even this brief visit.

Organizer and president of the Binghamton association is Joe Sheppe, former fighter and now proprietor of one of the community's leading barber shops. A real hustler, Sheppe has done a fine job with the organization and its annual affair. This was the third one, and it was a complete sellout, some 250 men, women and even children jamming the Carlton Hotel's banquet hall.

Hall-of-Famer Mickey Walker was brought up from New York as guest of honor. Other prominent personalities included a couple of Binghamton's leading fistic representatives of yesteryear, light-heavyweight Bingo Joe Banovic and middleweight Joe Zelinsky; sports columnist Chic Feldman of Scranton; promoter Normie Rothschild of Syracuse; former heavyweights Art Sykes of Elmira, Joe Matisi of Endicott and Abe Feldman of Schenectady, and promoter-manager-trainer Mike Latzo of the noted Scranton fighting clan.

THESE AND THOSE

Back in Miami Beach after his decision helped to "save" the featherweight title for Sugar Ramos in that tumultuous episode with Floyd Robertson in Ghana, World Boxing Association president Ed Lassman was interviewed by a Miami reporter. Asked to comment on British ace sports writer Peter Wilson's blast that the decision was a "robbery" and the worst he had ever seen in a championship bout, Lassman defended his verdict by saying Wilson was too busy banging away at his typewriter to see much of the fight. Which prompts one to query: If Lassman spent his time watching Wilson bang away at a typewriter, just how much did he (Lassman) see of the fight?

Veteran boxing and wrestling impresario, Willie Gilzenberg, 62, of Newark, is up and about again after a three-weeks' hospital seige with a heart ailment.

NEW YORK'S RESULTS OF THE MONTH:

Shoved out for eight weeks by other attractions, boxing returned to Madison Square Garden with the main event producing a decision for Jose Torres, 161, Puerto Rico, over Wilbert McClure, 161, Toledo, Ohio, in a generally dull TV ten.

McClure's showing was a distinct disappointment to those who had installed him a 7-5 choice in the advance speculation. It may have been that his two defeats by welterweight Luis Rodriguez had taken something out of him. Whatever the reason, the Ohioan for the most part boxed cautiously on the defensive, making very few aggressive gestures, and permitting the plodding Torres to dominate the scene.

Torres, ten pounds lighter than he had scaled for a workout at Sunnyside Garden three weeks before, was too persistent for McClure. From behind his awkward peek-a-boo defense, the Puerto Rican would lash out with both hands to McClure's head and body, and a couple of times, particularly in the seventh and eighth rounds, he had the Ohioan in trouble.

Backing away from a Torres assault in the eighth, McClure slipped to one knee. It was not a knockdown. When action resumed, Torres missed a wild swing and fell to the canvas. McClure stumbled over him and also went down. This was the most entertaining round of the ten. Action slowed down in the last two sessions.

Lenny Mangiapane, 150¾, Corona, L.I., ran into tough luck in the semi-final, scheduled for six, against Libertad Rueda, 150¼, Puerto Rico. Mangiapane had Rueda down twice in the first round and in trouble again in the second when he suffered an ugly gash above the left eye and the Commission physician refused to let him go out for the third.

In two other sixes, Irish Bob Cassidy, 156, Levittown, L.I., whipped Jesus Coma, 153¼, Puerto Rico, and Henry Costoso, 139½, outfought a rival Puerto Rican, Genaro Soto, 135½. In fours, Rafy Reyes, 147½, Puerto Rico, stopped Eddie Small, 147½, Bronx, at 1:12 of the third, and Russell Shoulars, 145½, Paterson, N.J., halted Junius Hinton, 147½, Harlem, at the end of the second.

For sustained action, the battle of the transplanted West Indians — Jose Gonzalez, 160¾, Puerto Rican operating out of the Bronx, and Florentino Fernandez, 159, of Miami Beach's Cuban refugee colony—was one of the most exciting seen in Madison Square Garden this season. The TV clash, billed for ten rounds, ended at 2:25 of the eighth, when blood gushing from a deep gash over Fernandez's left eye prompted Referee Arthur Mercante to intervene, Gonzalez getting credit for a knockout.

It was a furious brawl while it lasted, with rough and tough Gonzalez in front. It probably was the best fight of the Puerto Rican's career. He was too fast and industrious for Fernandez, although the hard-hitting, free-swinging Cuban was dangerous all the way. Fernandez hurt Gonzalez at times with savage left hooks but instead of slowing him down they seemed to make the Puerto Rican fight all the harder.

Jimmy Dupree, 173, South Carolinian fighting out of the West Side, had too much of everything for Sylvester Banks, 174½, Harlem, in the semi-final eight.

In an international meeting of two promising young heavyweights, Oscar Bonavena, 201, Argentina, packed too much power in his left hook and disposed of Byron Stoimenides, 193, Greece, at 1:47 of round one. The bout was scheduled for six.

In fours, "King David" Nahon, 139, Israel, won from Johnny Gilmore, 135, Philadelphia, and Walter Sealey, 125½, Levittown, L. I., outpointed Blas Riera, 124, Puerto Rico.

"Styles make fights", says an old boxing slogan, and it was evident in the close and not too convincing triumph Frankie Narvaez, 135, Puerto Rico, registered over Johnny Bizzarro, 132½, Erie, Pa., in their TV ten in Madison Square Garden.

In his two previous television appearances, Narvaez had "ideal" opposition in aggressive sluggers Luis Molina and Vincente Derado, and their styles enabled Frankie's boxing and sharpshooting to show at their bet.

Against Bizzarro, Narvaez was up against a different type, a fast-moving, hit-and-run, jab-and-grab operative, and the Puerto Rican had his problems. Frankie won, but his margin was slim enough for one of the officials to vote a draw. The other two tabbed for Narvaez by close counts.

Forcing the action most of the way, Narvaez had difficulty scoring effectively against his nimble opponent, and he did as much missing as hitting. At times, when he did connect, he seemed to hurt Bizzarro, but he was unable to cash in on his momentary advantages. Narvaez appeared to tire in the closing rounds and Bizzarro, scoring with looping uppercuts, finished the stronger.

Hubert Hilton, 187, Glen Cove, drew with a Long Island rival, Billy Daniels, 781¼, South Ozone Park, in the semi-final eight. In another eight, a knockdown in the seventh aided Teddy Pagan, 161, Puerto Rico, to beat Harold Richardson, 160½, Newark, N.J., and atone for two defeats Richardson had previously tossed into him.

In fours, George Cahill, 168½, Bronx, drew with Milton Torres, 169½, Puerto Rico, and Lee Carr, 194[13]/4, Bronx, flattened Everett Copeland, 202½, Brooklyn, at 3:08 of the second. (Copeland was down when the bell ended the round, but the count continued.)

Without the patronage of Madison Square Garden, but unwilling to have boxing at Sunnyside Garden remain inactive during the summer, Proprietor Mannie Heicklen decided to gamble on his own with a few shows during the warmer months. Again "borrowing" Duke Stefano from M.S.G. to act as matchmaker, Heicklen's first card produced fairly encouraging results. Some 842 clients contributed gross receipts of $2,174.80 to the box office.

In the main attraction, altitudinous (6 ft. 8 in.) Jim Beattie, 232, St. Paul, Minn., was entirely too big for Henry Wallitsch, 196½, Astoria, L.I., and the affair was halted at 1:56 of the sixth. It was Beattie's eighth win in nine starts, and the most impressive of the lot. He had rough going for two rounds but dropped Wallitsch in the third and was boss of operations from then on. Flooring the Long Islander again in the fifth, Beattie was belaboring him at will when Referee Johnny Colan called a halt.

The semi-final, listed for six, ended in a hurry when Bobo Reckley, 166, Bahamas, disposed of Joe Spencer, 166, Harlem, at 2:44 of round one. Spencer was down twice before the referee decided enough was enough. In another six, Laszlo Bagi, 146, St. Paul, trounced Jesus Tanco, 145½, Puerto Rico, and "King David" Nahon, 143, Israel, whipped Candy Delgado, 144, Puerto Rico, in the four-round curtain-raiser.

THE FINAL BELL.

Two of the most colorful personalities ever identified with New Jersey boxing were counted out when Jimmy Brienza, 71, of Newark, and George (Korn) Kobb, 57, of Roselle Park, died recently.

Brienza gave up a budding law career to become a fight promoter and manager, and his ubiquitous activities also included terms as justice of the peace, motor vehicle agent, district census supervisor, theatrical promoter and, during World War II, a European field director for the Red Cross.

Jimmy's boxing ventures included promotions in Newark, Lakewood, Long Branch and Englewood, and the fighters he managed were numbered by the score. Few ever attained national prominence but most were popular local attractions in the communities where Brienza operated.

Kobb, who promoted in his native Elizabeth for nearly thirty years, also functioned for a spell in Newark. During the lean years of the Depression, George was something of a one-man organization, selling tickets at the box-office, collecting them at the gate, and announcing his cards. An excellent judge of promising young talent, Kobb helped to push many a good prospect on his way to prominence. Joe Baksi and Tony Janiro were only two of the many who did much of their early fighting at George's clubs. During the lush years of the World War II era, Kobb built the spacious Twin City arena, on the Elizabeth-Newark line, and brought in such headliners as Ray Robinson and Beau Jack. George's many other activities included promotions of wrestling, basketball and track events. With a powerful voice, Kobb was frequently in demand as announcer at sports programs, and he served in that capacity for several months at boxing cards in Madison Square Garden and the St. Nicholas Arena in New York.

ADDENDA . . . Elated by the success of an amateur card which he, as department commander, staged for the local Disabled Veterans Hospital Fund, James G. Hackey, Sr., is planning to go into professional promotions in Bangor, Maine. The amateur program attracted some 2,000 customers and gross receipts of $3,754.80. "Bangor was a good fight town in the past, and there is no reason it couldn't be again," writes Hackey.

It develops that the fight card staged recently on a chartered ship off the Miami shore was not the only attraction offered the clients. The bouts were incidental, part of the general entertainment. Once the fights were over, the hall was quickly transformed into a night club and gambling casino. With the ship anchored beyond the three-mile limit, it was out of the jurisdiction of Florida authorities. The venture was so successful it may become a regular weekly feature.

BOXING IN ARGENTINE

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—In the light class, Pedro Benelli and Carlos Cappella drew in 10 rounds.
▸ **CORDOBA** — Flyweights Juan Romo outpointed Demetrio Carbajal in 10.
▸ **BAHIA BLANCA**—Rogelio André, welterweight won over Raúl Ullieldin by a K.O.T. in the sixth.
▸ **ROSARIO**—Good prospect in the light class, Abel Laudonio lost to Oscar Vargas by disqualification in the 6th round.
▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—At the Luna Park ring, in the welterweight class, Ramón La Cruz kayoed Dante Rodriguez in five.
▸ **MAR DEL PLATA** — Undefeated middleweight Antonio Aguilar outpointed Miguel Angel Paez in 10 rounds.
▸ **RIO GALLEGOS** — Undefeated featherweight Adolfo Tomaselli won from Efren Veloso on points in 10 rounds.
▸ **ROSARIO**—Undefeated and hard punching lightweight Omar Gottifredi, kayoed Aldo Gomez in second round.
▸ **BAHIA BLANCA**—In the light class, Humberto Barbato won over Tito Gomez, Spain, by K.O.T. in eighth round.
▸ **CONCEPCION (Tucuman)**—Featherweight Carlos Gutierrez beat Ubaldino Escobar, lightweight, on points in 10.
▸ **TANDIL**—Veteran middleweight Andres Selpa, lost to Ignacio Magallanes in 10 rounds.
▸ **PARANA** — For the local welter title, Ramón Montenegro won over José Colella in 12 rounds.
▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—Argentine and South American flyweight champion Horacio Accavallo, won by points over Eugenio Hurtado, from Panamá, in 10 rounds in Luna Park. (Record receipts for boxing in the Argentine boxing history: $4,032,500 pesos.)
▸ **MAR DEL PLATA**—Lightweight Juan "Juguete" Garcia won from Facundo Alvarez in 10.
▸ **TUCUMAN**—For the "José A. Lectore" selectión in the light class, Cirilo Pausa won from Enrique Jana in 10.
▸ **BAHIA BLAMCA**—Local light champion Eduardo Pediconi won from Roque Valenzuela in a non-title bout in 10 rounds.
▸ **SAN NICOLAS**—Norberto Juncos kayoed Ricardo Medina in eight. They are middleweights.
▸ **MAR DEL PLATA** — Oscar "Gatiquita" Lucero outpointed Adan Gomez in 10. They are lightweights.
▸ **BUENOS AIRES**—Argentine feather champion, Oscar "Cachin" Diaz, lost his crown to Carlos Cañete in 12. Receipts: $1,500,000 pesos. $57,600 U.S.
▸ **ROSARIO**—In the welter class, Juan J. Unzuga won over Benito Sanchez in 10.
▸ **RIO GALLEGOS**—Carlos Rodriguez outpointed Demetrio Carbajal in 10. They are flyweights.
▸ **SAN NICOLAS** — Lightweight Omar Gottifredi won over P. René Diaz by a K.O. in the fourth round.
▸ **BUENOS AIRES** — Abel Laudonio outpointed Roberto Palavecino in 10 in the Luna Park ring.
▸ **QUEQUEN**—In a comeback bout, ex-Argentine heavyweight champion José Georgetti, won over Mario Diaz by a K.O. in second round.

AROUND THE TRI STATES

By Johnny Bizzarro

The biggest local news was both good and bad for me. I made my debut as a TV fighter and because I waited too long lost a split decision to Frankie Narvaez in Madison Square Garden. I thought I won, but then how often do you think you lose. I guess I did lose because 10 of the 13 writers covering the fight agreed with the decision. I knew I had to keep moving if I was to beat Narvaez and I did but I did not start to throw enough punches until the last two rounds and that was too late. However it looks like we will have a return match next month and you can bet I will start throwing punches from the opening bell.

▸ The only pro action of the past month took place in the Municipal Auditorium in Zanesville, Ohio, where local pride Doug Agin, 131 halted Napoleon Ludy, 134, of Detroit at the end of the fourth round. A flurry of punches left Ludy helpless on the ropes.

In the co-feature Dick Wipperman, 210, Buffalo, kayoed Kid Savage, 186, of Cleveland in 2:45 of the second round. In other bouts, Tommy Russell, 144, Zanesville, kayoed his local rival John Bauer, 145, in the fourth and final round as both lads made their pro debut. Tony Lopez, 148, Detroit, outscored Sam Ivory, 146, Flint, Mich., in a good six rounder, the win was the seventh in ten fights for Tony, who has lost once and drawn in two others.

A crowd of better than 700 fans turned out for the show which was staged by the Police Athletic Club.

THE CANADIAN MARITIME

By Fred Bishop

SAINT JOHN, N.B.—A reported 2,000 fans attended the opening fistic card of the Maritime season as Joey Durelle, 151, Bais Ste. Annes, N.B. coasted to a lopsided win over Augie Simmons, 152, New York. Simmons was unable to answer the bell for the eighth round.

A co-feature of ten rounds had Willie James, 151. Miami, win in two over a bird billed as Larry Wright, 160, New York.

In Fours: Jimmy Poulton, 139, Charlottetown, P.E.I. was all over Lonnie States, 141, Windsor, N.S. to take a unanimous decision.

Gary Hatfield, 160, Truro, N.S. opened the show with a hard fought win over Churchill Desmond, 161, New Glasgow, N.S.

NEW GLASGOW, N.S.—Les Sprague, 145, Amherst, N.S., Canadian Jr. Welter Champion, outpointed a tough customer from Boston, Bobby Barrett. Barrett, coming in at 150, led through the first three rounds but Les stormed back and had the Boston boy in trouble the last four rounds to take the decision of all three judges.

In the semi-final of six, Al Jackson, 160, Truro, was holding his own when he injured his knee and called it quits at the end of the second, giving Bobby Whalen, 157, Dartmouth a kayo win.

In Fours: Clayton Murphy, 125, Joggins, N.S. hung a second round kayo on Dunc MacNeil, 130, New Glasgow. Both boys were breaking in to the pro game.

Two Halifax boys opened the card, Mike Supple, 140, scoring a first round tko over Jimmy Clayton, 134.

GLACE BAY, N.S.—Joey Durelle, 151, Bais Ste. Annes, won his second fight of the month when he scored a hard fought 10 round decision over rugged Dick French, 151, Boston the New England welter champion.

In the six round semi-final, Willie James, 151, Miami, scored a last round kayo over Augie Simmons, 153, New York.

In Fours: The best fight of the nite had young Rocky MacDougall, 129, Sydney, stopping Terry Johnson, 133, Halifax, midway through the fourth in an all-action affair.

In the opener, Clayton Ryan, 132, Sydney, and Gordie Lavers, 129, Halifax, slugged it out to a draw.

HALIFAX, N.S.—The new Halifax boxing club under the direction of Gerry Spears and Frank MacIntosh (Capital Sports Enterprises) presented its first card. Every bout, which featured two 10 rounders, was a crowd pleaser.

Lenny Sparks, 154, Halifax, former Jr. Welter Champion of Canada and out of action since 1960 with the exception of one fight last year which did not go a round, started his comeback by pounding out a close but unanimous decision over rough Don Ross, 151, Toronto. Sparks scored two knockdowns. Ross made a good comeback in the middle rounds but a fast finish in the ninth and tenth pulled it out for Sparks.

Jackie Carter, 131, Dartmouth, a Halifax based sailor, outslugged Artie France, 137, Boston. For both boys it was their first 10 rounds outing and it told in the late stages in this pier six brawl that had the fans on their feet throughout.

In six rounds, Don Chisholm, 154, Pictou, N.S. outpointed Tommy Whalen, 153, Dartmouth, in a rough fight. Both of these boys are ready for bigger game.

In Fours: Tiger Fowler, 150, Halifax, fighting his first pro bout surprised with a big win over veteran Jimmy Gillis, 148, Halifax.

Kenny Dean, 143, Halifax, outpointed Lonnie States, 140, Windsor, in the opener.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

A jaunt to Europe to sign big names for Miami Beach appearances this year is on the agenda of MB promoter Chris Dundee. His ace however, would feature light-heavyweight champion Willie Pastrano against a worthy contender. There is a possibility of such a match, Chris writes "Southern Skies." The success of Chico Veliz against Len Matthews in Philadelphia should be helpful billing since Veliz, originally from Cuba, is making his abode at Miami Beach now. He's another star attraction for Dundee. Veliz is a lightweight.

Miami fight promoter Buddy Pack has had a brainstorm. He became the first to stage professional boxing shows on the high seas. Pack has put on everal cards so far. They took place on the Bimini liner "Orange Sun" in international waters off the Florida East Coast. The liner would leave Miami in the evening and return past midnight. Dancing and cocktails later were included, all for the price of $6.50.

▸ Doug Vaillant, Ring Magazine ranked Jr. Welterweight, failed to show up for a main event match with Jimmy Mackey, so Joey Murchison, of Jacksonville was substituted. Before the largest turnout at the Pan American club in Miami on April 20th, Mackey won big over game Joey in the eight rounder.

The night's big surprise was Porter Rolle's upset over Jolting Joe Nardi, of Chicago, in a middleweight clash. Rolle, subbing for J. C. Ponder, dropped Nardi twice and got the verdict. Nardi, with the fighting guts of a bulldog, despite a busted nose in the second round, kept punching and looked better at the finish.

Val Anez, rising Venezuela lightweight, won an eight round decision over Eddie McKeever.

Jerry Powers, of St. Louis, whipped Bobby Faye, of Jacksonville, in a lightweight four.

▸ Heavyweights Ollie Wilson, 203, and Willie Johnson, 202, hooked up in the main event at Opa-locka, and Ollie, from Hartford and other areas, stopped Willie, of Miami, in the fourth round.

Sam Boardman's plan to revive pro boxing in Jacksonville is temporarily shelved until after summer. The well known boxing manager and trainer now of Jacksonville, took ill with pneumonia and was hospitalized.

▸ Referee Mike Kaplan interceded in the eighth round and gave Lino Armenteros a technical knockout win over Scatterhawk Herman Dixon at Miami. The men put on a good fight until Dixon began tiring and Lino pulled away. They're lightheavies.

Val Anez, rapidly making himself known before the Miami public, did good in knocking out Moses Shaw, of Miami, in the second round. A left hook to the stomach earned it for the Venezuelan. They're lightweights.

Cy Gottfried is another of Miami's competent referees. He stopped Johnny Jones from coming out in the second round, thus giving Duke Johnson a TKO win.

Porter Rolle, a middleweight with a punch, kayoed Ernest Burns, in the second chapter. Ray Camacho won a lightweight six rounder from Eddie Ludlow.

▸ Prentice Snipes stopped Jim Hanks in the fourth round of a main event at Opa-locka. In the semi-final Jerry Powers, of St. Louis, won unanimously over Sandy Seabrooke, of Jacksonville. They're lighties.

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▸ Before a large crowd at the Bayfront in Miami, Tony Mamarelli sent imported Paddy Read back to Providence, R. I., a two round knockout victim. Read didn't show anything to warrant tops with Tony. It's possible a Mamarelli punch which damaged the cornea in Paddy's right eye prevented a good showing. They are lightweights.

His brother Mickey, had a fight on his hands for two rounds but class told. Mickey stopped Winston Green, of Tallahassee, in the third round. Green suffered a broken nose. This was a featherweight pairing. None of Mickey's foes have lasted the distance. He has scored nine kayoes, and a "no contest" in 10 bouts.

Another casualty was John Tombley, a Miami policeman. Facing Tomy Peavey, of Jacksonville, Tombley had Peavey in bad shape in the first round. Then, in round three, while off balance, Tombley caught a Peavey punch and while going back, twisted his leg and broke it. Peavey won a TKO in that round.

Willie Thomas scored in his bout with Weaver Gibson. In a battle between Tigers, Billy Tiger knocked out Tiger Flowers in the second. The show drew 2,100 fans and over $3,000. Promoter Dick Lee's smile could have been much wider had it not been for rainy weather.

▸ Porter Rolle, to show his decision win over Joe Nardi in an upset was no fluke, flattened Willie Harris at the Pan-American club in the sixth round of a middleweight mixer. Scatterhawk Dixon won an eight rounder from Mad Dog Johnson.

Otis Hilton, 132, started his pro boxing career with a two round knockout over Charles Heath. Johnny Sands, 147, won a four round decision over John Henderson, 143. Buddy Pack promoted.

Marty Kaplan, former boxer from Miami Beach is due to get a boxing commission assignment with the Miami body. We feel sure Marty will do good as a commissioner as he did when boxing. He's a successful artist as well.

▸ Eddie Agin moved fast in the opening round with Tommy Peavey, of Jacksonville and landed the telling punch, a right uppercut to dispose of Peavey in 1:59 of the first round. Agin weighed 162 and the loser, 161.

Willie Thomas, 159, took a sixer from Eddie Johnson, 163, and Richie Smith, 157, scored in the other six against Jim Robinson. These bouts in Miami.

▸ Valmore Anez is no flash in the pan. The popular South American, by way of Caracas, Venezuela, earned one of his best wins by taking a 10 round decision over Joey Murchison, of Jacksonville in the feature at the Pan American in Miami.

Jimmy Beasley won by a knockout in the first round over Bobby Dawson. Stu Duncan and Lou Wooten travelled six rounds to a draw. Grady Ponder is another up-and-coming lad. He whipped Nino Marti in a four. Another four went to Jerry Powers, of St. Louis, who nodded George Sawyer.

▸ Cassius Ford, Jacksonville welterweight, held favored Frank Holloway, of Miami, to an eight round draw at Opa-locka. Rey Lavaro, 168, won the six round semi by a decision over Jim Robertson, 173.

Jerry Furman, 139, defeated C. J. Thomas, 135, in a four. Mickey Dolan, 155, trimmed Gene Durham, 151, in four. Eddie Linder, 122, grabbed a four from Joe Serrano, 124.

▸ A victory well earned was the 10 round decision Chip Johnson, of Naples, got over Ollie Wilson at Miami (Pan American). Nat Bell TKOed Louis Brown in the second round of a lightweight tangle.

Jimmy Beasley stopped Robert Brown in the second of their welterweight meet. Otis Hilton kayoed Rich Palmenta in 1:03 of the first round. Eddie Fobbs won a four rounder from Ed Johnson, while George Sawyer had the best of Luis Avila in a four.

▸ Bobby Marrie and Duane Simpson went eight rounds to a draw in Buddy Pack's high seas boxing headliner aboard the Bimini liner Orange Sun. The lightweights are respectively from Miami and Opa-locka.

Harry Tetlow knocked out Sandy Morgan in the second round. Both middleweights. Charley Skoch kayoed Sonny Jordan in the third. They're lighties. Johnny Sands won by a kayo over Harold Hall and it came in the third round. They're middleweights.

'Member the ole Mumbler, Sam Sobel? Recall the crackerjack middleweight he had, Ben Brown? Well, Sam has another Brown in tow, Dave Brown and Dave is a nephew of Ben. He's a heavyweight, 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 212 pounds. He owns plenty of amateur titles, his first gained in 1956 as a welterweight. He's been climbing ever since. To Sam's way of thinking, there'll be no stopping until the heavyweight title is in his hands.

▸ In their never-ending series, Jerry Powers and Sandy Seabrooke got together again at Opa-locka. Powers, 128, St. Louis, decisioned Seabrooke, 128¼, of Jacksonville in the six round main event.

Billy Tiger, 165 pound Miamian won a sixer in the semi-windup over Willie Thomas, 160.

Joe Serrano scored a four round decision over Herschel Washburn. Skip Johnson outdid Skeeter McCray in four. Richie Smith bested Freddie Wilson in four. Paul Pevoross kayoed Charley Chalk in the second round.

▸ Harry Tetlow, 156, Miami Beach, won a unanimous eight round decision over Mad Dog Johnson, 158, of Albany, Georgia at Miami (Little River). The fans didn't like the verdict.

Stormy Winters acted like one as he stormed into Freddie Dixon, 157, Jacksonville, and iced him in 2:04 of the first round. Winters, 160, is from Macon, Georgia. Richie Smith, 160, Nassau, won over Eddie Fobbs, 155, Fort Lauderdale, in a six.

Charley (Chuck) Skoch, 129, Miami, earned a four round nod over C. J. Thomas, also 129, Miami. Eddie Linder, 122, Miami, took a four from Cecil Franks, 124, Miami.

▸ Joe Nardi, Chicago's crowd-pleasing middleweight, with only one loss since turning pro, stopped Eddie Johnson in the fourth round at Opa-locka. Ray Comacho stopped Richie Smith in the third. William Player, 182, kayoed much heavier Eugene Adams in the first round. Bobby Wilson stopped Jesse Chester, also in the first.

Billy Tiger, who ha fought as Willie Williams, Boom Boom Williams, Willie Tiger and now Billy Tiger, knocked out Allan Johnson in the initial round. Tiger, managed by Frank Aratta, is a light-heavyweight who may go somewhere. Nat Bell, a Billy Mesca fighter, and at times appears as Baby Beau Jack in Florida, won a four round decision over C. J. Thomas.

▸ A fighter who hadn't competed in 15 months was brought in to sub for Jim McNeil against Lino Armenteros and scored a stunning upset in the main event at Miami (Little River). Sammy Stone, after finishing the day's work of driving a meat truck, arrived from Deerfield Beach, 50 miles away, proceeded to do the almost impossible. He stunned Armenteros and his army of followers by winning the unanimous nod in a light-heavyweight encounter.

Grady Ponder, a youngster whose nine win streak is mounting and who has yet to taste defeat, pulled a big surprise, too. He beat Jerry Powers, of St. Louis in a lightweight sixer. Scatterhawk Dixon bested Mad Dog Johnson. Skip Johnson knocked out James Lee in the fourth of a lightweight match. Heavyweight Duke Johnson stopped Ed Haley in two.

Former heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano signed Canadian heavyweight George Chuvalo, of Toronto, to a contract. Manager Marciano's fighter is Ring Magazine's number 10 man in that field.

Guess who Willie Pastrano is giving boxing lessons to. The lucky fellow is George Mira, the fabulous footballer from Key West. He couldn't have a finer friend than the light-heavyweight kingpin.

▸ The bout was only a minute old when Scatterhawk Dixon exploded a right to knock out Ike Jones in the opening round of the headliner on the liner Orange Sun off the Florida coast. Dixon scaled 162 and Jones, 156.

Duke Johnson, 172, whipped Tommy Norton, 167, in a four. Bobo David (or Davis) kayoed Freddie Dixon, 146, in the fourth round. Bobo at 143. Sugar Flea, 132, kayoed Junior Castlebury, 130, in the second. Buddy Pack promoted.

▸ Promoter Chris Dundee had postponed the Tony Alongi-Al Gonzalez heavyweight match once and it should have stayed judging by accounts of the Mexican heavyweight's talent. Alongi, of Hollywood, Florida, practically had a toy to contend with and Billy Regan, the referee acted wisely in stopping the match in the third round. Tony won by a TKO.

Another match pitted Doug Vaillant, Ring Magazine's ninth ranked lightweight, against Joey Murchison, of Jacksonville who was filling in for Jimmy Mackey. Murchison didn't belong in the same ring with Vaillant and the Miami Cuban scored a ninth round TKO.

Chip Johnson won over Prentice Snipes in a heavyweight bout. Eddie Linder halted Jerry McNamara in the third round of a featherweight match. Attending the show were 1800 fans.

▸ Former welterweight champ Luis Rodriguez sparred five rounds with Lino Armenteros at Miami (Pan American). Cassius Ford, of Jacksonville, at 145, beat Eddie Fobbs, 152, Fort Lauderdale in the six round feature.

Johnny Sands, 148, Miami, went to a four round draw with Skeeter McCray, 147, of Perrine. Jerry Powers, 130, St. Louis, defeated George Sawyer, 134, Miami, in four. Eddie Linder, 120, Miami, won a four from Jerry McNamara, of Miami Beach. Nino Marti, 127, stopped Hector Berdugo, 124, in the third. Buddy Pack promoted.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND

By Don Hamill

BOSTON ARENA—Joey Archer, 158, New York, came to box but ended up engaging Johnny Torres, 155½, Paterson, N. J., in a foot race. Torres, overawed by Archer's reputation, went into a hasty retreat from the opening bell. Archer chased Torres around the ring, with few punches thrown. Neither Referee Billy Connolly's warnings nor the booing of the crowd brought the defense-minded Torres into the battle. Archer was proclaimed the winner.

Iron Mike Pusateri, 164, Dedham, stopped Tommy Settles, 164, Jamaica, N. Y., in the fourth round of the eight round semi-final. Don Toro, 235, New York, and Everett Copeland, 199, Brooklyn, ended up all even after six heats.

Eddie Owens, 164, Holyoke, scored an impressive first round kayo over Don Webber, 170, Salem; and in the other four rounder, Jesse Ammons, 143, Roxbury, repeated a previous win over Tommy Flynn, 147, Jamaica Plain.

PORTLAND, ME. — Exposition Bldg. — Former world's middle and welterweight champion Ray Robinson, 162, New York, showed that he has maintained much of his old-time class, as he won all the way in taking a ten round decision over game but thoroughly beaten Gaylord Barnes, 155½, Trenton, N. J. Robinson kept the action at long range and thrilled the crowd with his snappy punching, fast combinations, and occasional bolo punches.

Paul Junior handled the refereeing chore.

Willie (Cadillac) James, 154, Miami, rallied to nullify the early lead of Dan Livingston, 149, Trenton, and the pair had to settle for a draw after eight rounds. Milo Calhoun, 165, New York and Kingston, Jamaica, won handily over Mike Campbell, 161, New York, in six rounds.

Cornelius "Killer" Burke, 132, Portland, came from behind to flatten Ronnie Butts, 135, also of Portland, in the third round of the four round opener.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

ARMSTEAD AGAIN BEATS BROWN

They had hoped to break an attendance record at Valley Garden Arena, North Hollywood, since that highly ranked globetrotter, Don Johnson, California featherweight champ, was fighting Gabe Hernandez of Mexico in the feature. Well, Johnson knocked out Senor Hernandez in the 2nd round, but gathered little in the way of fame and fortune in the process. There are 17 fighters named Hernandez in the Ring Record Book, 1964 edition. But no Gabe.

That wasn't the worst of it. Far from setting an attendance record, the house was only half-filled; capacity is 2,000. Promoter George Parnassus opined that the reason was Phil Ortega, newest hot-shot pitcher of the Dodgers: (p.s. He win, Ma.)

In the semi-final, Daniel (Zurita) Valdez, 124, Mexico City, drew with Willie Ray, 126, Los Angeles (6).

Other prelims: Beto Maldonado, 126, San Fernando, decisioned Cristobal Thelo, 126, San Fernando (6). Jose Hueso, 139, Monterrey, Mexico, decisioned Perro Reyes, 139, Mexico City, (5).

All prelims were curtailed to 2-minute rounds. Freeway traffic caused a half-hour delay.

Paulie Armstead, 139, had an easy time of it up in San Francisco, scoring a one-sided victory over 38-year old Joe Brown, former world lightweight champ, 137. A month ago, Armstead decisioned Brown in Sacramento, a split verdict. There was nothing close about this one. Brown couldn't get untracked.

Referee Frankie Carter scored it 8-0; Judge Jack Downey, 10-0; and Judge Jack Silver, 8-1. All for Armstead.

On hand, about 1200; gross gate, $4,030.

What ho! It is rumored that Harry Kabakoff, manager of Jesus Pimentel, is on the verge of signing a peace treaty with George Parnassus. I'm glad of it. You see, Parnassus has the inside track with Eder Jofre, world bantam champ, and Pimentel is certainly the No. 1 contender in these parts.

SAN JOSE—A slim "crowd" of 500 was on hand at the San Jose Civic Auditorium to see former world lightweight champ Joe Brown, Houston, 138½ score a decisive victory over Tony Perez, Hermosillo, Mexico, 141½. The only knockdown of the fight came in round 4, when Brown dropped Perez with a right cross to the jaw. The Senor from Mexico took an 8-count. There was only one official: Referee Jack Downey, and his score-card tabbed Brown, 7-3.

For many years, the "official" seating capacity of the Los Angeles Olympic Auditorium has been listed as 10,400. The riot that followed the decision in the Hiroyuki Ebihara-Alacran Torres disclosed that this has been an error: the seating capacity was 9,900.

The riot ruined some 2,000 seats, 400 beyond repair. Hence, when the venerable Olympic gets back in business, there will only be 9,500 seating capacity.

Only a handful of the fistic faithful was on hand at San Jose to see veteran Joe Brown trounce Tony Perez. But every cloud has a silver lining: as a reward for his triumph, Brown has been rematched with Paulie Armstead at Kezar Stadium, San Francisco.

In their recent meeting, Armstead decisioned Brown at Sacramento.

Dwight Hawkins, 119½, scored his fourth straight triumph on his comeback attempt, this time over Moi Torres, 121½, at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A. This is the fight which ran second fiddle to the hectic brawl between Moi's brother, Alacran, and the Japanese "beatle", Hiroyuki Ebihara, recently, and resulted in a riot.

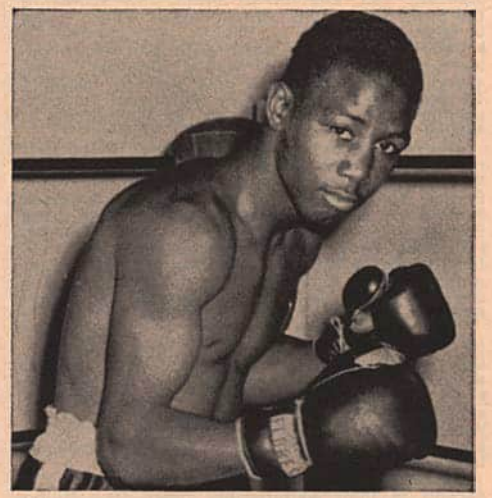
On hand, about 2500. Unlike the scrap between these two gamecocks—Ebihara-Alacran Torres—there was no dissenting vote about the decision. Referee Joey Olmos scored it 4-3; Judge Russ Bradford, 5-3, and Judge Lee Grossman, 7-2. All for The Hawk, also known as Mighty Mite.

Supporting bouts: Beto Maldonado, 127, decision over Benny Lira, 126, (6); Changa Magallanes, 115½, stopped Tony Vega, 115, (4). In the opener, Mario Baptista, 122, stopped Barrancas Kid, 122, (3).

Manuel Ramos, 198, was heavily favored to trounce Al Carter, 196, over at the Valley Garden Arena, North Hollywood, but the 21-year old Mexican dropped the duke. In a previous meeting, Ramos had whipped Carter in a six-rounder. No such luck this time. Both boys tired badly in the closing rounds of their ten-rounder.

Referee John Thomas, sole official, scored it 5-3.

It was Ramos' 12th fight, and his first defeat.



Paul Armstead who by his repeat victory over former champion Joe Brown in San Francisco regained a high post among the challengers for Carlos Ortiz's lightweight title.

In previous fights, he had won 9 by knockout, two by decision. Promoter George Parnassus plans a rematch.

Prelims: Johnny Morrison, 146½, decisioned Frankie Conway, 147; Mayico Robles, 123, scored a 6th round TKO over Jose Cejudo, 121, and Changa Magallanes, 115, knocked out Hector Flores, 113, (4).

Apparently the decision to Tiger Al Carter over Manuel Ramos at Valley Garden Arena, North Hollywood, did not meet with unanimous approval. Pete Kokon, sports columnist of the Valley Times, differed vehemently with the verdict of Referee John Thomas, the sole official.

"If Carter won that fight", writes Peter, "I'm a monkey's uncle." Mr. Kokon has been covering fights for a long time. He's entitled to his opinion. The fact that Promoter George Parnassus plans a rematch seems to speak for itself.

Tempus fugits. Joe Louis recently celebrated his 50th birthday. H'mmmm. Twenty-five years ago I had the task of publicizing the Joe Louis-Jack Roper heavyweight title fight at Wrigley Field. Toughest part of that fight was to get the Bomber to come up with some quotable comment. He answered all questions, but chiefly in monosyllables.

Lauro Salas, former lightweight champion of the world, recently underwent plastic surgery. To-day he's real "purty". This is one kid I've always liked.

Carlos Ortiz has apparently abandoned plans for a title fight with featherweight boss Sugar Ramos. George Parnassus had been dickering for a September date, the fight to take place at the Coliseum. But Carlos told Senor Parnassus that he wants to take a long vacation, and I guess he rates one. He's a busy boy, a real globetrotter.

The postponed scrap between Jesus Pimentel and Fighting Harada moved from the Coliseum to the Sports Arena. A smart move by Promoter Leo Minskoff, another wise move: he has signed a companion 12-rounder between Joey Medel and Ray Asis. Pimentel is a Mexican; Harada, Japanese; Asis is a Filipino, and Medel, Mexican. Asis and Medel are bantam champs of their respective countries.

Rugged Raul Rojas, pride of San Pedro, 126¾, undefeated featherweight, had to stage a furious finish to score a win over Eloy Sanchez, Mexico, 127¼, at the Olympic Auditorium. At that, it was a split decision.

It was billed as "Harbor Night", since four of the boys on the card claim San Pedro as their habitat. And it appealed to some 5,000 fans, who paid a gross of $7,200—there or thereabouts.

Here's the scoring: Referee Lee Grossman, 5-4, for Sanchez; Judge George Latka, 6-4, Rojas; and Judge Russ Bradford, 5-3, Rojas.

It was definitely a partisan crowd. In addition to Rojas, the main eventer, there was Joey Orbillo, former footballer, heavyweight; Irish Jimmy Harryman, heavyweight; and Andy Heilman, middleweight. All were announced as San Pedro "prides". And all won.

To give you some idea about the main event: Promoter George Parnassus plans to rematch Rojas and Sanchez for the annual Fight for Lives classic, in July.

Joey Orbillo, 192½, decisioned Henry Clark, 183; Jimmy Harryman, 194½, kayoed Larry McGee, 180½ (5) and Andy Heilman, 159, knocked out Chuck Tollivar, 159½, (5). The Harryman-Heilman fights were both billed for six.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS

By Jack Waina

Since being stopped by heavyweight champion Cassius Clay in 1962 after having had him on the canvas, and Young Jack Johnson the same year, Sonny Banks has come back strong, stopping five of nine opponents. He lost only a split decision to Lee Batts, whom he knocked out in the second round of a rematch at Philly.

In his latest match, also in Philadelphia, Banks stopped Don Warner with the first punch he landed in the first round. This was his second knockout scored this year.

Warner was counted out on his back after the bell ending the first round. If the handlers of Banks continue to exercise the care in selection of their opponents for Sonny he could become a leading contender for world honors.

Immediately following his victory over Tommy Payne in Detroit several months ago, Toledo middleweight Wilbert "Skeeter" McClure claimed that Cassius Clay told him he didn't talk enough and from now on he would. However, if McClure was serious it could turn out that Jose Torres is the man who got in the last word.

The pair met in a nationally televised match at New York with the Puerto Rican banging out a decisive ten round decision over McClure.

Unable to locate Pete Bosanic, of Jackson, who won the state middleweight title August 31, 1963, at Escanaba, Commissioner Frank A. Cavanaugh declared the title vacant and sanctioned a bout between a couple of Detroiters, Tommy Payne and Lucky Little for the title. Staged by the Ringside Boxing Club of Battle Creek at the Central High Field House of that city, with Jack Seltenreich promoting, only a sparse gathering turned out to watch Payne gain the duke over Little. It was Payne's second win over Lucky, having defeated him three years ago for yours truly at the Greystone Ballroom.

In the preliminaries: Tony Lopez, 153, Detroit, outpointed Joe Blair, 159, Akron, in six; Bobby Parnell, 133¾, Akron, defeated try-agin Jake McGinn, 132½, Battle Creek, in four; Johnny McCloud, 129, Grand Rapids, again defeated Louis Parnell, 132½, Akron, this time by a knockout in three; and Tex "Tiger" Gorman, 181¾, Detroit, decisioned Chief Crazy Horse, 200½, Detroit, in four.

Getting off the canvas in the first round, Kenny Lane, Muskegon southpaw, came back to score a ninth round knockout over South African lightweight champion Stoffell Steyn at Johannesburg, South Africa before a crowd of 12,000 fans, then lost to Dave Charnley in London in 10 rounds.

Former world middleweight champion Terry Downes, of England, now campaigning as a lightheavy, turned in a unanimous ten round decision over Jackson's Eddie Zarembra at Glasgow, Scotland. Zarembra was admittedly hurt on several occasions but refused to go down as he was intent on finishing the scheduled distance. The loss was the second for the 31 year old Zarembra in seventeen starts, including one draw. The only other defeat was at the hands of Henry Hank, now a stablemate.

Two Michigan amateurs Buster Mathis, of Grand Rapids, and Ronald Harris, of Detroit, gained berths on the ten man United States Olympic team in the trials at the World's Fair in Flushing, New York.

Other competing fighters from Michigan were Hedgemon Lewis, of Detroit, in the light-welterweight class; Jim Carter, of Benton Harbor, welterweight; and Roosevelt Sanders, of Detroit, light-middleweight.

Radio station CKLW's Sports Director Joe Gentile, a well known and liked sports figure who has acted as the ring announcer for some important local fights, has been named a director of the 12-member board of the state of Michigan's Sports Hall of Fame.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending June 18, 1964

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Doug Jones outpointed Leroy Green, 10.
Sante Amonti defeated Piero Tomasoni, 12.
Ulli Ritter and Wilhelm Von Homburg, drew, 10.
Franco DePiccoli kayoed Carl Welschouw, 4.
Tony Alongi halted Al Gonzales, 2. Amos Johnson outscored Cody Jones, 10.
Jose Georgetti kayoed Mario Diaz, 2. Sonny Banks kayoed Don Warner, 1.
Elmer Rush and Bill McMurray, drew, 10. Billy Joiner halted Oran Johnson, 8.
Gerhard Zech defeated Federico Frisco, 10. Billy Daniels and Hubert Hilton, drew, 8. Tony Doyle kayoed Don Spencer, 6.
Albert Westphal beat John Henry, 10. Wayne Heath kayoed Clarence Boone, 1.
Henry Wallitsch defeated Carl Baker, 8. Lennart Risberg beat Ray Cillien, 8.
Jim Beattie stopped Henry Wallitsch, 6. Tony Doyle defeated Clint Grey, 10.
Amos Johnson defeated Willie Williams, 10. Ski Goldstein stopped Al Carter, 4.
Giuseppe Migliari stopped Mariano Echevarria, 4. Oscar Bonavena kayoed Byron Stoimenides, 1. Jose Manzuer stopped Johnny Barazza, 4.
Chip Johnson defeated Prentice Snipes, 8, and Ollie Wilson, 10. Dick Wipperman kayoed Kid Savage, 2. Mike Costlow kayoed Eddie Rogers, 2.
Dave Brown kayoed Bob Spaulding, 3. Jimmy Harryman stopped Larry McGee, 5. Tom Pawloski defeated Jim Hamilton, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Mauro Mina stopped Floyd McCoy, 8.
Wayne Thornton kayoed Bobby Rascon, 2.
Terry Downes defeated Ed Zarembra, 10.
Chic Calderwood stopped Allan Harmon, 6. Paul Roux decisioned Bernard Quellier, 10.
Otha Brown decisioned Levi Forte, 10. Benito Michelon defeated Johnny Halafihi, 8.
Jimmy Dupree decisioned Sylvester Banks, 8. Horst Benedens outpointed Jose Manzur, 8.
Helmut Ball and Rudi Nehring, drew, 8. Alfredo Wogrig stopped Luigi Napoleoni, 3.
Lino Armenteros defeated Jim McNeil, 8. Harold Combs stopped Chuck Wessmiller, 4.
Chris Van Rooyen stopped Buster Perry, 3. Rudy Robinson stopped Billy Crowder, 40. Walker Simmons stopped Ray Staples, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

World Champion Joey Giardello outpointed Rocky Rivero, 10 (non-title).
George Benton defeated Johnny Morris, 12. Nino Benvenuti halted Jimmy Beecham, 2.
Joe Gonzalez halted Florentino Fernandez, 8. Jose Torres defeated Wilbert McClure, 10.
Ray Robinson launched still another comeback by beating Gaylor Barnes, 10. Barnes also lost to Joey Archer, 10. Bruno Visintin defeated Yolande Leveque, 15.
Fernando Barreto won the South American title by stopping Hector Mora, 12.
Antonio Aguilar outpointed Miguel Paez, 10. Ignacio Magallanes defeated Andres Selpa, 10.
Teddy Pagan outpointed Harold Richardson, 8. Joe Louis Adair stopped Holly Mims, 6.
Aristeo Chavarin defeated Fred Roots, 10. Rudolph Bent stopped Bob Avena, 7.
Harry Scott and Dante Pelaez drew, 10. Memo Ayon defeated Aristeo Chavarin, 10.
Tommy Payne scored over Lucky Little, 10. Eddie Pace bested Hurricane Kid, 10.
Pedro Miranda stopped Evaristo Ramos, 8. Jupp Elze kayoed Hector Constance, 5.
Jimmy Lester stopped Jerry Slider, 5. Ron Thompson outpointed J.C. Johnson, 8. Milo Calhoun defeated Mike Campbell, 6.
Eddie Agin defeated Willie Thomas, 8, and drew with Ray Lavarro, 8. George Wright halted Charlie Hall, 5.
Bob Cassidy whipped Jesus Coma, 6. Franco Fiori beat Gino Rossi, 8. Joe Nardi halted Eddie Johnson, 4.
Len Campbell and Joe Williams, drew, 6. Don Whitney bested Don Turner, 6. Scatterhawk Dixon kayoed Ike Jones, 1, and Charlie Tuna, 1.
Stormy Winters kayoed Fred Dixon, 1. Elmo Henderson kayoed Alonzo Harris, 5. Richie Smith defeated Eddie Fobbs, 6. Harry Tetlow whipped Mad Dog Johnson, 8.
Andy Heilman stopped Chuck Tolliver, 5. Billy Tiger bested Willie Thomas, 6.
Tony Lopez won over Joey Blair, 6, and Sam Ivory, 6. Sam Samuels defeated Hal Carroll, 6. Floyd Casey won from Mario Spargio, 6. Tommy Settles and Ray Lacen drew, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World Champion Emile Griffith retained his title outpointing Luis Rodriguez, 15.
Gaspar Ortega kayoed Willie Ross, 5, Sixto Diaz, 4, Kid Ayala, 4, Felipe Mendoza, 5, Juan Rodriguez 3 and beat Francisco Canico, 10.
Doug Vaillant stopped Joe Murchison, 9. Stan Harrington defeated Charley Scott, 10.
Joey Durelle defeated Dick French, 10, and stopped Augie Simmons, 8, Augie also was stopped by Willie James, 6, while Willie kayoed Larry Wright, 2, and drew with Dan Livingston, 8.
Fred Galiana stopped Vitor Alves, 3, and Nando Proietti, 4. Willie Ludick kayoed Fraser Toweel, 3.
L.C. Morgan kayoed Ruben Rivera, 6, and Rudy Garcia, 3. Bobby Kane won the Australian crown beating Allan Carroll, 15.
Mauro Vazquez halted Jesse Armenta, 10. Joe Horn defeated Charley Els, 10.
Memo Lopez decisioned Alfredo Cota, 10. Dick DiVeronica won over Larry Wright, 10.
Curtis Cokes won from Al Andrews, 10. Muneo Mizoguchi defeated Tony Noreiga, 10.
Johnny Santos beat Dick Knight, 10. Eddie Fobbs stopped Eddie Johnson, 5.
Ian McDonald defeated Paddy McNally, 12. Jorge Rosales kayoed Chivo Diaz, 2, but was kayoed by Carlos Rios, 2.
Carmelo Bossi defeated Julio Rocha, 8. Lennie Sparks whipped Don Ross, 10. Joe Louis Hargrove whipped Gil Tapia, 10.
Al Grant outpointed Cecil Mott, 10. Arley Brown defeated Ken Franklin, 10. Fortunato Manca beat Ebe Mensah, 8.
Sigemasa Kawakami beat Lee Kyo-San, 12.
Cassius Ford decisioned Eddie Fobbs, 6, but lost to Sammy Burgess, 8.
Libertad Rueda kayoed Lenny Mangiapane, 2. Eduardo Battista won over Sonny Forbes, 8.
King David kayoed Young Joe Brown, 2. Joe Murphy kayoed James High, 1. Porter Rolle kayoed Harry Thompson, 2.
Walter Daniels defeated Pete Toro, 6. Al Andrews won from Tino Arias, 6. Mel Mott defeated Mel Sertin, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Dave Charnley outpointed Kenny Lane, 10.
Paul Armstead outpointed Joe Brown, 10. Louis Molina outscored Tony Perez, 10.
Jose Luis Cruz kayoed Cordoba Rodriguez, 5. Frankie Narvaez edged out Johnny Bizzarro, 10.
Larry Flaviano stopped Yukio Katsumato, 6. Aissa Hashas stopped Junior Cassidy, 9.
Conny Rudhod defeated Aldo Pravisani, 10. Oscar Vargas won on a disqualification over Abel Laudonio, 6, Abel then beat Robert Palavecino, 10.
Baby Vasquez kayoed Kid Guanajuato, 3. Giordano Campari won from Olli Maeki, 10.
Manuel Mora kayoed Teddy Meho, 4, but lost to Raul Rodriguez, 10. Carlos Celis kayoed Cesar Barrow, 3. Pedro Benelli and Carlos Cappella, drew, 10.
Manuel Garcia outpointed Venancio Hernandez, 10. Federico Boroba upset Pulga Serrano, 10. Percy Hayles defeated Lennox Beckles, 10, but lost to Johnny DePeiza, 10.
Bobby Marie whipped Tooley Sawyer, 8. Adolph Pruitt Dave Patterson, 7.
Billy Backus decisioned Colin Frazer, 10 Henry Costoso defeated Genaro Soto, 6.
Ray Reyes and Gustavo Garcia, drew, 10. Jackie Carter defeated Artie France, 10. Raul Anchondo kayoed Guillermo Rangel, 9.
Johnny Santos kayoed Bob Burdette, 1. Bentio Juarez whipped Pete Herrera, 6.
Lalo Moreno whipped Sergio Gomez, 10. Jose Lozano defeated Manuel Tvitia, 10.
Lavell Franklin won from Willie Woods, 6. Willie Castillo won over Frank Souza, 8.
Henry McKie stopped Johnny Cate, 5. Bobby Marie won from George Sawyer, 6.
Henry Dominguez decisioned Tony Mamarelli, 10. Perfecto Garcia kayoed Harold McKeever, 2. Lionel Rivera stopped Baby Brown, 5. Joey Olguin stopped Ronnie Taylor, 4.
Jackie Lennon and Tommy Goss drew, 6. Bobby Marie defeated Tooley Sawyer, 6.
Doug Agin decisioned Johnny Curtin, 6, and stopped Napoleon Ludy, 5. Fouvale Lutu stopped Clarence Felder, 3.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Don Johnson halted Gabriel Hernandez, 2.
Vincente Saldivar upset Ismael Laguna, 10.
Antonio Herrera defeated Francisco Bolivar, 10. Carlos Canete won the Argentina by beating Oscar Diaz. Frankie Taylor stopped Mario Sitri, 10.
Phil Lundgren stopped Carmelo Acevedo, 6. Raul Rojas defeated Eloy Sanchez, 10.
Efren Jimenez decisioned Tono Aguirre, 10. Johnny Famechon kayoed Les Dunn, 10.
Hiroshi Kobayashi beat Lee Kwang Joo, 10. Ernesto Beltran beat Al Soria, 10.
Ray Lazo stopped Jose Aparicio, 7. Yuji Masuko kayoed Warcito Britto, 4.
Hermelindo Mondragon halted Fernando Sorelo, 10. Sugar Zatarain defeated David Rodriguez, 10. Manuel Tarazon whipped Sergio Muzquiz, 10.
Jerry Powers whipped Sandy Seabrooke, 6. Barry Mason outscored Mike Cruz, 6.
Constantine Valentine beat Cruz Arvelo, 10. Paul Alba kayoed Ray Lewis, 9, and beat Bobby Garza, 10. Daniel Valdez defeated Fernando Soto, 10.
Pat Gonzalez and Rokuro Ishiyama, drew, 10. Frankie Duran defeated Ray Coleman, 10.
Danny Valdez and Willie Ray, drew, 6. Richie Sue won over Ray Coleman, 6. Chucho Garcia whipped Chilo Barranco, 10.
Baby Paramount won over Ben Martires, 10. Memo Ruiz stopped Gallito Gonzalez, 8. Steve Freeman kayoed Henry Caminita, 2.
Jerry Matthews won from Joey Lopes, 6. Len Kesey defeated Ray Salas, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

European Champion Risto Luukkonen retained his title outpointing Pierre Vetroff, 15.
Baby Luis defeated Rudy Coronado, 10. Sugar Bonus won the Philippines title outpointing Marcel Juban, 12.
Juan Molina defeated Felix Padilla, 10. Kamara Diop kayoed Osito Galvan, 1.
Al Asuncion stopped Jose Ferrer, 7. Curly Aguirre kayoed Shigeo Shioyama, 2.
Zorrito Castanon kayoed Julio Moreno, 6, and beat Samuel Castillo, 10. Miguel Castro halted Miguel Paredes, 7. Willie Kee stopped Joey Castellano, 5.
Goyo Sanchez halted Polo Navarro, 10. Pedro Guerrero defeated Panchito Villa, 10. Chucho Castillo kayoed Jose Gonzalez, 8.
Memo Vega halted Tono Luna, 6. Mayico Robles halted Jose Cejudo, 6.

FLYWEIGHTS

Salvatore Burruni defeated Antonio Lazzaro, 10.
Horacio Accavallo decisioned Eugenio Hurtado, 10.
Rocky Gattellari kayoed Ray Perez, 7.
Baby Lorona won the Philippines title outpointing Leo Zulueta, 12. Ernest Miranda defeated Armando Blanco, 10.
Billy Brown and Bob Allotey drew, 12. Jupiter Mansilla defeated Antonio Satta, 8. Rafael Fermin defeated Carlos Miranda, 10.
Jamie Perez outscored Raton Perez, 10. Lachi Linares defeated Ramon Calatayud, 10, and then lost to Romeo Diaz, 10.
Luie Gonzalez kayoed Jose Lopez, 5. Ronnie DeCost stopped Billy Smith, 14.
Juan Romo decisioned Demetrio Carbajal, 10. Akaski Namekawa defeated Ric Magramo, 10. Beto Ojeda outscored Dabilto Martinez, 8.
Martin Rivas won over Joe Molina, 10. Gallito Camacho kayoed Filomena Villa, 6. Armando Villa kayoed Juan Hernandez, 2.
Alfonso Valiente defeated Heliodoro Pitalda, 8. Mario Garcia stopped Marcos Mejia, 5. Zorrito Garrido defeated Jesus Hernandez, 10.
Rudy Somodio defeated Romy Esto, 10. Changa Magallanes kayoed Hector Flores, 4.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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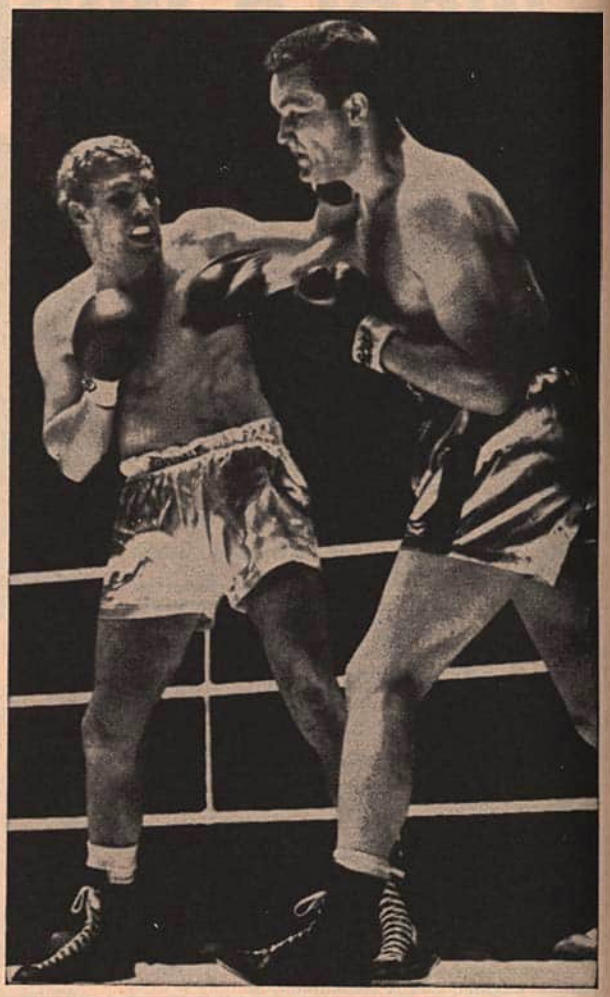
Billy Walker GAINS REVENGE

BILLY WALKER, West Ham, 197, gained sweet revenge over Billy Neilsen, U.S.A., when he scored a K.O. win 1.38 of the second round. In their previous contest, when Walker was stopped in the eighth after receiving a boxing lesson, we saw a slow starter in the Neilsen make up, but in this bout, he started fast and gained full marks for the first round by good jabbing to the head and body.

In the second round Neilsen came out trying to slug it out with Walker, when a left hook and a short right had the American in trouble. He had to take a count of "nine." On rising, he went down again. Sensing that he had Neilsen at his mercy, Walker sailed into him full, raining blow-after-blow on the latter's head, putting him down for the third time to take the full count on one knee.



Knocked out in eight rounds by Bill Nielson a few months previously, Billy Walker (left) evened the score with his American rival in their return match in London by flattening the invader in the second round.

Monty Laud, St Ives, 113, stopped Tommy Connor, Glasgow, 117½, in the sixth. Micky Laud, St Ives, 138, brought off a brother double, when he outpointed Len Wilson, West Ham, 137½, in eight.

Evan Armstrong, Glasgow, 125½, is a lad with a future, he beat Mick Greaves, Leicester, 128, to the punch in almost every round to gain a good K.O. win in the fourth.

Eddie Avoth, Cardiff, 157¾, outpointed Jack Powe, Preston, 160, in eight. George Wiggs, 190, defeated Billy Winter, Antigua, 198, in the fifth when the latter was ruled out for persistent laying on his man.

Neuilly, France, Junior Cassidy, Nigeria, was stopped in the ninth of a lightweight bout by Aissa Hashas, France, through a mouth injury.

▸ **EMPIRE POOL, Wembley**—Howard Winstone, Merthyr, British and European featherweight champion, 125¼, successfully defended his European title when the Italian challenger, Lino Mastellaro, 124½, held up his hand during the eighth round as a token of "Surrender." No one could blame the brave Italian from crying "Quits," for he had taken a boxing beating from the first gong by the brilliant left hand hitting of the Welsh Wizard.

Referee Bernard Mascot of France could have ended the bout earlier as the Italian Champion was at Winstone's mercy, and one does not like to see a boxer punished unnecessarily, when he has no chance of victory. On numerous occassions Matellaro changed to "Southpaw" stance to avoid the accurate left leads of "Maestro" Winston, but to no avail.

A good right put him on the deck for a count of "seven," and another right shot his gumshield flying out of his mouth. Some of the crowd booed the Italian, when he put his right hand up in the air. This was quite unfair, for he had taken a scientific beating.

▸ **GLASGOW** — Terry Downes, former World's Middleweight Champion, 168, had to travel ten rounds before he was declared a points winner by referee Frank Wilson over Ed Zaremba of Michigan, U.S.A., 173. In the first round it looked all over as Downes hooked his opponent with his left to have Zaremba tottering around the ring, but Zaremba came back to give his opponent a tough, bruising battle. There was no disputing the decision of the referee.

Chic Calderwood, Craigneuk, former British Cruiserweight Champion, 175, defeated Allan Harmon, Jamaica, 173½, when the latter failed to come out for the seventh. Calderwood boxing cautiously, gained the upper hand and peppered Harmon with his jabs to make the bout one-sided.

Andy Wyper, Newmilns, Scottish Welterweight Champion, knocked out Jack Powell, Preston, in the fifth of a welterweight contest. Up and coming Evan Armstrong, Ayr, outpointed Con Mount Bassie, Jamaica, in a featherweight eight. Don McMillan, Glasgow, outpointed Fitzroy Lindo, Jamaica, in a Welterweight eight.

▸ **THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London** — Johnny Caiger, Dagenham, 160, was declared the winner when heavyweight referee, Pat Floyd ruled out Dave George, Woking, 161, in the sixth for not breaking when he gave the order. Don Weller, Battersea, 118¾, and Glyn Davies Merthyr, 117¼, fought a spirited eight to a draw.

Don Gibson, Hackney, 132½, stopped Peter Richards, Bristol, 136, in the second. Alan Wheeler, East Ham, 143¼, outpointed Pat O'Rourke, Doncaster, 142, in six.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London** — Young McCormack, Dublin born and based in Brixton, 168, proved too strong for Johnny James, St Henens, 172, and scored a knock out win in the second. Both stood toe-to-toe, throwing their heavy artillery, until a left hook toward the end of the first from McCormack dropped James on the canvas. He took a count of "eight."

Another left and right to the jaw put him down for another "eight" gamely. The St Helens man fought back only to be brought down again from a flurry of head punches for "nine." He sat up just before the bell came to his rescue.

Within one minute of the second round McCormack jabbed a left and followed with a right to the jaw that ended the fight.

Johnny Angel, Nigeria, 169, was declared the winner over Joe Bell, West Indies, 163, in the seventh when referee Benny Caplan stopped the contest in favor of Angel after Bell had sustained a bad cut.

Don Davis, Bermondsey, 152½, outpointed Mick Flintham, Doncaster, 153½, in six. Harry Wheeler, East Ham, 143, outpointed Ray Fallone, Battersea, 145½, in six.

▸ **Cardiff**—Harry Carroll, Cardiff, 134½, with his "Southpaw" stance, was too much for Con Mount Bassey, Jamaica, 127½, in their eight round bout. Although Carroll suffered a bad cut over the eye in the third, he was clever enough to avoid being hit on that damaged optic to gain a clear cut points win.

Geoff Rees, Ebbw Vale, 147, defeated Stan Bishop, Kidderminster, 144, in the seventh, when the referee stopped the bout in his favor.

Brian Gale, Cardiff, 158, and Sid Brown, Bournemouth, 153½, drew in eight.

Ron Landrum, Pontypridd, 120, stopped Johnny Coates, Hackney, 120, in the third.

Brian Rennie, Cardiff, 137, knocked out Junior Lindo, Jamaica, 141½, in the first.

Mike Stevens, Cardiff, 134½, stopped Mike Barry, London, 136, in the third.

▸ **SHOREDITCH**—Brian Brazier, Croydon, 137¾, gained a comfortable points win over Johnny McKenna, Southend, 137, in eight. Although McKenna suffered a cut over his left eye in the first and another over the right in the second, he gamely fought on but lost on points.

Al Keen, Islington, 134½, outpointed Len Wilson, West Ham, 137¾, in eight. Brian McCafferty, Liverpool, 149, added Joe Falcon, Market Harborough, 150, to his undefeated record, when he stopped the latter in the fifth.

Ralph Charles, West Ham, 147, stopped Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 147, in the first. Arnold Bell, Jamaica, 129½, outpointed Colin Lake, Holloway, 127¾, in six.

▸ **LARNE, Ireland**—Hugh O'Neill, Belfast, 118¾, labored hard to gain a points win over Simon Tiger, Nigeria, 118½, in an eight (two minutes) round contest.

Henry Turkington, Doagh, 155¼, outpointed Louis Onwuna, Nigeria, 162¼, over eight (two's). Bob Sempey, Doagh, 147¼, gained a points win over Steve Ako, Liverpool, 148¾, in eight (two's).

Al Graham, Lisburn, 135¾, stopped Billy Robinson, Belfast, 133¾, in the second when the latter received a badly cut eye. Packy McMahon, Belfast, 152, stopped Harry Stanford, Belfast, 146, in the first.

▸ **GENOA, Italy**—Johnny Halifihi, Tonga, was outpointed by Benito Michelon, Italy, in a cruiserweight eight.

▸ **MIDLAND SPORTING CLUB, Solihull** — Johnny Prescott, Birmingham, 194½, although a clear points winner over Benito Canal, Spain, 220½, over ten rounds, he never showed the form that one expected against a rolly-poly heavyweight, who had only strength and a left swing with the open glove. When Prescott boxed instead of slugging, he showed to advantage and that enabled him to gain referee Chris Maggs' decision.

Freddie Cross, Nuneaton, 174½, clearly showed that has long absence from the ring has not diminished his boxing ability, for he gained a clear points win over the hard hitting Clarence Prince, Nigeria, 173½, in eight.

Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 125½, and

Mick Carney, Huddersfield, 126, fought a sparkling eight to a draw. Yvon Jarrett, Birmingham, 148, outpointed Darkie Hughes, Wolverhampton, 147, in six.

Billy Wynter, Antigua, 197½, knocked out Joe Clift, Willenhall, 207, in the first. Dave Martin, Birmingham, 159¼, stopped Alan Baker, Willenhall, 164, in the second.

▸ **NOTTINGHAM**—Wally Swift, Nottingham, former British Welterweight Champion, 158, defeated Harry Scott, Bootle, 159¾, in twelve rounds. Swift gained his points win by jabbing his way on the defense against the aggressive Bootle Battler, who adopted rushing tactics in an effort to take the stylish Nottingham boxer out of his stride, all to no avail. Swift will now meet Mick Leahy for the latter's British middleweight title.

Johnny Pritchett, Bingham, 159¼, maintained his unbeaten certificate with a clear points win over Roy Thomas, Brixton, 163¼, in eight.

Eric Fearon, Nottingham & Jamaica, 195¾, stopped Les Daniel, Ireland, 188, in the third. Jimmy Powell, Preston, 154, outpointed Young Gabriel, Belfast, 153¾, in six. Frank Lannion, Nottingham, 134¼, stopped Roy Chambers, Jamaica, 137, in the fourth.

Brian Bonsor, Mansfield, 145¼, outpointed Wally Williams, Jamaica, 149¼, in six. . . . Kenny Lewis, Lincoln, 160¾, outpointed Ken Henshaw, Ilkeston, 157¼, in six.

▸ **MANCHESTER**—Johnny Angel, Nigeria, 158½, defeated Nat Jacobs, Manchester, 154, when the latter retired at the end of the sixth. Alf Matthews, Liverpool, 161½, outpointed Sid Brown, Birmingham, 156, in eight.

Jim Braddock, Liverpool, 139½, outpointed Ken Thompson, Bradford, 140, in four. Tony Barlow, Manchester, 110, outpointed Kid Hassam, Nigeria, 115 in eight.

Bill Rowan, Manchester, 148½, outpointed Pat O'Rourke, Nottingham, 146, in four. Gordon McAteer, Birkenhead, 141, knocked Peter McBeth, Glasgow, 148 in the sixth.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Tommy Baldwin, Gateshead, 162, stopped Dave Wakefield, Hackney, 163, in the second when referee Pat Floyd intervened to save Wakefield from further punishment.

Sammy McIlvenna, Glasgow, 119, outpointed Ron Elliott, Hackney, 119, in six.

Don McMillan, Glasgow, 150½, stopped Tex Woodward, Bristol, 147, in the fifth. Terry Edwards, Birmingham, 142, outpointed Tommy Atkins, Nigeria and Halifax, 137, in eight.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Harry Edwards, Birmingham, 134¾, gained his fourth come-back win when he outpointed Chris Elliott, Leicester, 134, to win the Midland Area lightweight title in a fast twelve rounder. Some years ago Edwards held this same title, and was forced to give it up owing to illness.

From the first Edwards took the initiative, scoring with nicely time left jabs without a return. Toward the end of the bout Elliott tried hard to bring his rival's lead down to a minimum without avail, and it was only a formality for the referee to raise Edwards hand as the winner.

Eddie Avoth, Merthyr, 158, knocked out Dave Arnold, Romford, 161, in the fourth. Harry Wheeler, East Ham, 145, stopped Ken Henshaw, Derby, 153¾, in the fourth. Pat O'Rourke, Doncaster, 143½, outpointed Ivor Drew, West Ham, 142¾, in six.

▸ **PENARTH**—Billy Thomas, Caerphilly, 127½, scored a good points win over Bobby Davies, West Ham, 127, in eight. The bout was always interesting, for the boxer from Wales against the aggressive West Hammer showed his superiority and was a clear winner at the end.

Gerry Banwell, Tonyrefail, 160¼, defeated Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 161¾, in the fifth when the referee intervened in his favor, after the latter had received a badly cut eye.

Malcolm Price, Merthyr, 206, former Welsh amateur champion, stopped Billy Wynter, London, and Atigua, 196, in the fifth.

Lyn James, Pontypridd, 129¾, was forced to retire by Peter Richards, Bristol, 132½, in the fourth after the former received a very bad cut eye. Al Juna, Kenya, 126, stopped Dennis Bowers, Tonyrefail, 122½, in the fifth.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Ricky Porter, Shepherds Bush, 145, outpointed Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 148, after a hard fought eight. Monty Laud, Chatteris, 112½, former amateur flyweight champion, gained a narrow points win over Ron Elliott, Hackney, 118¾, in six. Ray Fallone Battersea, 147, outpointed Brian Childs, Swinton, 142½, in eight.

▸ **WYVERN SPORTING CLUB, Manchester**—Mick Carney, Wakefield, 125½, won the vacant Central Area featherweight title when he knocked out Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 126, in the seventh.

Young McCormack, 168, the young Dublin Cruiserweight is rapidly making a reputation as "A Club Fighter." His best performance to date was to outclass the experienced Ivor Evans, Bournemouth, 174½, who was stopped in the sixth by the referee coming to his aid to save him from taking unnecessary punishment.

Gerry Chippendale, Manchester, 162, stopped Billy Linton, Middlesborough, 161, in the first, when the latter suffered a badly cut eye. Doug Fowler, Fleetwood, 170½, outpointed Ernie McRae, Preston, 172, in six.

▸ **LIVERPOOL**—Johnny Pritchett, Bingham, 160, scored a quick win over Sid Brown, Bournemouth, via Jamaica, 157, when he landed two rights to the latter's jaw in 1 min. 15 secs. of the first round causing referee Billy Simpson to call a halt as the Jamaican was helpless on the middle rope.

Tommy Atkins, Halifax, 152, outpointed Dele Majeke, Nigeria, 149½, in eight. Jimmy Stewart, Preston, 150, knocked out Billy Rowan, Manchester, 150, in the fourth. Kid Hassan, Nigeria, 116¾, stopped Gerry Jones, Wigan, 118, in the third. Wesley Williams, Earlstown, 148, gained a narrow points win over Ken Thompson, Halifax, 142, in six.

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BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Joe Erskine (W)
4. Brian London (E)
5. Jim Cooper (E)
6. Johnny Prescott (E)
7. Billy Walker (E)
8. Joe Bygraves (J)
9. Dave Ould (E)
10. Sipa Fine (NZ)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (N)
2. Tuna Scanlon (NZ)
3. Gomeo Brennan (B)
4. Mick Leahy (E)
5. Blair Richardson (C)
6. Wally Swift (E)
7. Harry Scott (E)
8. Teddy Haynes (E)
9. Reg Hayes (E)
10. Johnny Angel (N)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Bunny Grant (J)
2. Dave Charnley (E)
3. Maurice Cullen (E)
4. Ray Adigun (N)
5. Love Allotey (G)
6. Vic Andreetti (E)
7. Teddy Meho (G)
8. Dave Coventry (E)
9. Aldo Pravisani (A)
10. Dion Murphy (NZ)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. George Bowes (E)
3. Alan Rudkin (E)
4. Don Weller (E)
5. Brian Cartwright (E)
6. Jackie Brown (S)
7. Mick Hussey (E)
8. Carl Taylor (E)
9. Glyn Davies (W)
10. Billy Males (A)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Chic Calderwood (S)
2. Johnny Halifihi (TO)
3. Alan Harmon (J)
4. Terry Downes (E)
5. John Hendrickson (WI)
6. Bob Nicolson (E)
7. Burke Emery (C)
8. Earl Nikora (NZ)
9. Stan Cullis (E)
10. Filo Manuao (NZ)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Brian Curvis (W)
2. Johnny Cooke (E)
3. Jimmy McGrail (E)
4. Tommy Collins (A)
5. Tony Smith (E)
6. Bob Cofie (G)
7. Peter McLaren (E)
8. Tony Lewis (E)
9. Peter Schmidt (C)
10. Joey Durelle (C)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Howard Winstone (W)
2. Floyd Robertson (G)
3. Joe (Rafiu) King (N)
4. Frankie Taylor (E)
5. Phil Lundgren (E)
6. Wally Taylor (A)
7. Joe Tetteh (G)
8. Dennis Adjie (G)
9. Kimpo Amarfio (G)
10. Billy Calvert (E)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Rocky Gattelari (A)
3. Orizio Obilaso (N)
4. Bob Allotey (G)
5. Alex O'Neil (I)
6. Gerald Jones (W)
7. Baby John (RH)
8. Tony Barlow (E)
9. Koli Mustapha (N)
10. Kid Hassan (N)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guinea; (C) Canada; (E) England; (FI) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tongi; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

▸ Not much activity this month, but once more Australian flyweight champion ROCKY GATTELLARI proved that he is the best draw card in Australia by fighting before a sell-out crowd of 7,500 at the Melbourne Festival Hall. The Rock broke two records that night—he received more money than any flyweight in Australian history ($4,500) and he made a record gate for any weight at the Melbourne Festival Hall, which has been in regular operation since October, 1956.

Party of the other part was the American RAY PEREZ. Gattellari won by a knockout in round seven. Perez did not win a round, although he drew the first and third.

Gattellari boxed well and gradually wore down Perez until he had him ripe in the seventh. Then Rocky opened all stops, dropped Perez to the floor with a salvo of punches. Gamely Ray struggled to his feet at four and took the remainder of the compulsory eight-count on his feet.

Rocky again cut loose and referee Terry Reilly stepped in and stopped the fight as Perez collapsed.

It was a return meeting between the pair, the first going to Gattellari on points. Gattellari is a top contender for world honors in my opinion.

Rocky has a great record—undefeated in his 12 pro fights, with ten KO wins and two points wins. In his last five fights he has beaten national champions—he KO'd Scottish champion Danny Lee, outpointed Nigerian champion Orizu Obilaso, outpointed top American Ray Perez, stopped Dominican Republic champion Natalio Jiminez and KO'd Ray Perez.

Gattellari is an all-action fighter, the most exciting in Australia and by far our best fighter, pound for pound.

As I have stated many times, Rocky Gattellari will win a world title as soon as he fights for it. The last time I wrote that about an Australian was some years ago, about a bantamweight named Jimmy Carruthers. He won the world title and retired undefeated. Unfortunately, he made a comeback seven years later and marred a perfect record.

WALLY TAYLOR announced his retirement this month. He was the third reigning Australian champion to retire in harness this year, welter champion Tommy Collins and bantam kingpin Billy Males being the others. So now the featherweight throne is vacant.

▸ At the Brisbane Festival Hall, BOBBY KANE, a Scot now living in Australia, won the vacant Australian welter title by outpointing junior welter champion ALLAN CARLILL over 15 rounds. Kane won well; He was too clever but the fight lacked thrills.

▸ In Melbourne, IAN McDONALD, another transplanted Scot, gained an easy points win over New Zealander PADDY McNALLY in a welter bout lacking thrills. One week later heavyweight ORLANDO GURINI punched too hard for German light-heavyweight HANS WASCHLEWSKI, knocking out Hans in the second round.

▸ In Melbourne, young JOHNNY FAMECHON, son of Andre, formerly a world rated lightweight, jumped into the Australian number one contender spot by knocking out LES DUNN in the tenth round to take Dunn's Victorian State featherweight crown. Famechon, aged 19, dominated the fight; he did not lose a round, although two were even.

Famechon boxed brilliantly. He dropped Dunn in the second and 10th rounds. Les was dazed and helpless when referee Terry Reilly called a halt.

▸ Sydney Stadium opened only once during the month, and only a couple of hundred fans attended. In the main event, KID LANGFORD, having only his fifth fight, knocked out veteran FRANK PENFOLD in the sixth round. Langford is a puncher.

Penfold, the better boxer, held a points lead at the finish but a right hand to the jaw wiped out the points. Penfold beat the ten but was dazed and after he took another punch, referee Vic Patrick called a halt. Date was May 25.

▸ That is all for this month. My address is: 23 Milburn Rd., Gymea, N.S.W., Australia.

RESIN DUST FROM SINGAPORE

By Little Nene

▸ Singapore boxing fans went home happy after two of the local best lightweight prospects in years won their fights by knockouts.

Sugar "bin" Eusope, 134, Singapore, halted Battling Wong of Kuala Lumpur, 136, in the 4th round. Wong started the fight aggressively by throwing leather from the opening bell. Sugar "bin" not only blocked and dodged the heavy punches, but he counter-punched hard and landed solid punches in close exchanges. A right to the jaw dropped Battling Wong for the full count in 1.36.

In the stellar attraction, Singapore's unbeaten Noor Hassan, 135, iced Francis Wong, 143, in the 3rd of a tenner. Hassan appeared a seasoned professional despite only indulging in less than 8 professional debuts.

Veteran flyweight Little Pancho outpointed Robert Goh, 108, in 6 heats, Siew Chiang, 114, kayoed Lawrence Lim, 111, in round one of a sixer; Mel Ahmad, 114 and Jimmy Kid, 124, squared matters in 4 heats, while Dollah Baghdad outpointed Joe Micael in the 4 round opener.

Johnny Ng promoted the fight.

IN LATIN AMERICA

DEPEIZA, HERRERA BIG WINNERS

BOXING IN TRINIDAD

By George C. Beckles

PORT OF SPAIN . . .

Johnny Duncan, local featherweight looked good in winning a hectic ten round decision over Lester Franklyn, of South Trinidad in the main bout of Promoter Edwin Peters' show. The boys had boxed a draw some weeks ago but in the return Johnny was in complete control.

Featherweights Cruz Avelo and Martin Rivas of Venezuela will be brought in to oppose Franklyn and Duncan by the promoter in the near future.

In the semi-final, Ulric Regis, 190, halted Leo Peterson, 197, in the second round. In other bouts Leo Brewster, 175, outpointed Godfrey Oliver, 188, in eight rounds; Neil Corridon, 139, stopped Leslie Frederick, 141½, in 2:47 of the fifth and Joe Ammon, 133, won a unanimous decision over Art De Freitas, 134, 6.

PORT OF SPAIN . . .

Local idol Johnny DePeiza, 138, staged a hard fought rally in the final two rounds to edge out Jamaica's Percy Hayles, 139, who had stopped him in eight rounds in a previous meeting in Kingston some weeks ago. This time Johnny started strong, faltered in the middle rounds, but came on fast down the stretch to gain the split verdict. The Referee and one judge scored for him, the other judge voted in a draw. We had Johnny the winner by one point.

In other bouts; Anthony David, 134½, stopped Ken Mathias, 135½, when Ken did not come out for the sixth round. Leslie Frederick, 140, decisioned Neil Corridon, 143, 6, and Kid Bassey, 153, kayoed Bassy Pivot, 154, in 2:20 of the third round. All the prelim boys are from Trinidad.

BOXING IN COLOMBIA

By Oscar Vergara Ramos

▸ **Barranquilla**—In an interesting fight of ten rounds, Ernesto Miranda of the Argentina, 114, won by decision over Venezuelan Armando "Tito" Blanco, 115.

Flyweight Rafael Fermin of Dominican Rep., 114, won in ten rounds, by decision from Carlos Miranda, of Argentina, 110.

José Godoy, a good Featherweight of Colombia, won by decision in eight rounds from Marcos Rojas of Venezuela.

Ramón Patron won by decision in the sixth rounds from Antonio Ramirez.

▸ **Cartagena**—Antonio "Mochila," Herrera, 133, our brilliant featherweight, easily won the decision over Francisco Bolivar, 127, of Venezuela, in ten rounds.

In a disputed fight, German Gastelbondo of Colombia, 133, won by decision over Maximo Fermin of Venezuela, 135, in ten rounds.

Bantamweight Alfonso Valiente, 113, won by decision over Heliodoro Pitalúa, 114, in the eight rounds.

▸ **Barranquilla** — Promoter Filemon Canate B. Former Middleweight Pedro Miranda of Cuba, 154, won by a TKO in the eighth round over Evaristo Ramos, 148, champion of Nicaragua.

Rodrigo Valdes, 135, won by K.O., in the eighth round over Fernando Alvarez, 135.

José Román, 124, won by K.O., in the third round over Humberto Diaz, 124. Antonio "Chinito" Yi and Felo Salgada drew in four. They are flyweights.

BOXING IN JAMAICA

By Charlie Gooden

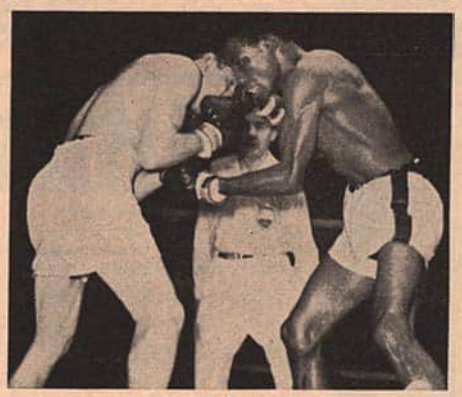
National Stadium, Kingston—6000 fans watched Doug Jones, top heavyweight contender for Cassius' Clay's title give a poor performance against Leroy Green of Kansas City, Missouri, in the local stadium. But Jones had a good excuse. He had warmed up for a 10 o'clock appearance in, and had cooled off in his dressing room, then was forced to wait until 11:10 before he was called into the ring. He weighed in at 194 and Green at 184. The unanimous decision favored Jones.

In the semifinal, Percy Hayles, No. 10 ranked Junior welterweight, decisioned Lenox Beckels of British Guiana in 10 fast rounds. Hayles came in at 135, Beckels, 141.

Jamaica's heavyweight champion, Carl Baker, 192, lost a hard fought 8 rounder to Henry Wallitch, 198, of New York City, in the best fight of the night.

Rudolph Bent, Middleweight champion of the Island, got off the floor in the first round to stop Bobby Ovini, 166, of New York in the 6th round of a scheduled 8 rounder. Bent was one pound under the middleweight limit.

Barry Mason, featherweight champion of Jamaica, won an easy 6 rounder over Mike Cruz of New York. Mason weighed, 126½, Cruz came in at 133.



Two of the world's top flyweights clashed in Luna Park in Buenos Aires with Horacio Accavallo (left) gaining the verdict over Panama's Eugenio Hurtado after ten fast and furious rounds.

BOXING IN VENEZUELA

By Adalberto Sanchez

MARACAIBO, Estadio Olimpico—José Acosta of Maracaibo, 126, won by K.O. in the second round over Pete Martin Jr., 123, Champion of Puerto Rico.

Enrique Michell, 125, won by decision in 10 rounds over Dario Parra, 126. Both are from Maracaibo.

Romeo Diaz, 112, of Maracaibo won by T.K.O. in the third round from Carlos 'zurde" Rojas of Cabimas, Venezuela, 114.

Rolando "Kid Upaca" Toussain, 130, won by decision over Joe Raff, 127, in six. Both are of Maracaibo.

Jorge "Zurdo" Uzcategui, 118, of Colombia won by a K.O. in the fourth over Ramon "Motilon" Jimenez, 117, of Maracaibo.

Eure Camargo, 112, of Venezuela and Baby Colon of Panama, 113, drew in four.

CARACAS, Palacio de Deportes—Lachy Linares, 112, champion flyweight of Republica Dominicana, won by decision in 10 over Ramon Calatayud, 112, flyweight of Venezuela.

Constantino Valentine, 130, won by decision over Cruz Arvelo, 130, in 10. Both are from Venezuela.

Martin Rivas, 111, won by decision in eight rounds over Joe Molina, 110.

Teodoro Delgado, 135, won by decision in six over Joe Rivas, 134.

Manuel Garcia, 118, and Enrique Betancourt, 117, drew in six.

MARACAIBO, Estadio Olimpico—Romeo Diaz, 112, of Maracaibo won by decision in 10 from Lachy Linares of Republica Dominicana, 111.

Cara e Tabla Castillo, 127, ex-champion bantamweight of Venezuela, won by decision in 10 from Enrique Michell, 124, of Maracaibo.

Joe Raff, 126, of Maracaibo, won by decision in eight from Ramon "Sandy Saddler" Blanco, 125, of Caracas.

Jorge "zurdo" Uzcategui of Colombia won by K.O. in the second over Carlos "zurdo" Rojas, 118.

Uben Lizardo, 112, won by decision in four over Baby Colon, 114 of Panama.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

We saw good fights during May. Most of the star bouts were excellent, particularly that between Raul Rodriguez and Manolo Mora, which Rodriguez won. Results were as follows:

▸ Miguel Castro, 116, knocked out Miguel Paredes, 118, in 7. Placido Rodriguez, 128, knocked out Panchito Chico Ramirez, 125, in 9.

Beto Rodriguez, 124, stopped Cachorro Nucamendi, 124, in 6. Roberto Lara, 124, stopped Angel Delgado, 129, in 3.

Andres Espinosa, 113, outpointed Ruben Cruz, 111, in 4.

▸ Lalo Moreno, 133, outpointed Sergio Gomez, 135, in 10. Chucho Oliva, 136, outpointed Raul Mendoza, 134, in 8. Gallito Camacho, 111, knocked out Filomeno Villa, 111, in 6.

Juan Catarino Lopez, 124, stopped Mario Placencia, 121, in 2. Jesus Bueno, 119, decisioned Gregorio Teutle, 119, in 4.

▸ Efren Jiminez, 126, outpointed Antonio Aguirre, 126, in 10. Manuel Garcia, 135, decisioned Venancio Hernandez, 134, in 10. Beto Ojeda, 112, decisioned Pablito Martinez, 112, in 8.

Raul Bolanos, 112, decisioned Rogelio Mendoza, 112, in 6. Lupe Ramirez, 135, decisioned Ruben Davila, 134, in 4.

▸ Hermelindo Mondragon, 125, stopped Fernando Sotelo, 125, in the tenth and last round. Porfirio Morales, 112, knocked out Jose Luis Mendez, 112, in 4.

Rodrigo Hernandez, 135, knocked out Nicolas Badillo, 134, in 6. Mauro Trejo, 126, decisioned Ramon Beltran, 125, in 6. Mauricio Gascon, 126, decisioned Javier Ambriz, 125, in 4.

▸ Jaime Perez, 111, decisioned Antonio Raton Perez, 108, in 10. Chamaco Ortiz, 121, outpointed Crescencio Mendez, 118, in 8.

Ricardo Villalobos, 133, decisioned Fernando Garcia, 132, in 6. Raul Martinez, 112, stopped Francisco Trejo, 112, in 6. Juan Garcia, 118, decisioned Cucaracha Negrete, 118, in 4.

▸ Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 147, stopped Jorge Rosales, 145, in 2. Chucho Castillo, 118, knocked out Jose Gonzalez, 118, in 8. Mario Garcia, 112, stopped Marcos Mejia 112, in 5.

Jorge Jimenez, 135, decisioned Jesus Gonzalez, 134, in 6. Jose Garcia, 118, stopped Wenceslao Angeles, 118, in 2.

▸ Goyo Sanchez, 119, stopped Polo Navarro, 118, in the tenth and last round. Joaquin Sandoval, 123, decisioned Joaquin Velazquez, 127, in 8.

German Bastidas, 119, decisioned Rogelio Rea, 116, in 6. Ezequiel Martinez, 119, and Gregorio Teutle, 117, drew in 6. Mariano Rangel, 123, decisioned Luis Flores, 124, in 4.

▸ Raul Rodriguez, 135, a new face in Mexican rings, outpointed Manolo Mora, 134, Cuba, in a hectic ten-round bout. The Cuban knocked down the local boy in the first and the third rounds. Rodriguez is still in the making but he is a good prospect.

Ray Lazo, 126, stopped Jose Aparicio, 125, in 7. Arturo Morales, 136, defeated Juan Tenorio, 136, by disqualification, in 5. Nacho Maya, 112, outpointed Florentino Arriaga, 118, in 6. Rafael Flores, 119, needed only one round to stop Aristeo Jimenez, 117.

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THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

LA LAGUNA

ONLY ONE BOXING SHOW WAS STAGED DURING THE MONTH in this Cotton Land of Mexico at Arena "Olimpica" of Gomez Palacio in the Durango State.

▸ Javier "The Sugar" Zatarain, 128, had to sweat a lot to win a very split 10-round decision over veteran David Rodriguez Zapata, 138, Reynosa.

The little Musquito Boat from the Nazas River, Armando Villa, 111, kayoed Juan Hernandez, 115, Mexico City, in the second heat of the semifinal match.

Carmelo Cortez, "The Gipsy," 123, stopped Apolinar "Llanero" Anaya, 121, Mexico City, in two rounds. Javier "Eloy" Garcia, 116, outscored Manuel Castillo, 118, in 6 rounds. Gerado "Raton" Palacios, 116, kayoed Jose Luis Morales, 117, in the fourth round.

NORTHERN MEXICO

CHIHUAHUA—Strong boy Raul Anchondo, 136, scored a 9-round kayo triumph over Guillermo "Memin" Rangel, 133, La Laguna little buffalo. Pedro "Piluyo" Guerrero, 118, bested Panchito Villa, 117, Delicias, in ten rounds. Jesus Carrasco, 121, stopped Tony Hernandez, 123, Delicias, in the third round. Something for The Book: Panchito Villa, the Delicias City bantam, is a grandson of famous Pancho Villa, the Northern Centaur of our Revolution.

MONTERREY—Two shows were staged during the month in this capital of the Nuevo Leon State, and the results follow:

▸ Jose "Zurado" Lozano, 133, the tough southpaw, beat Manuel "Sonrisas" Avitia, 135, in ten rounds. Alejandro Torres, 126, kayoed Manuel Arroyo, 125, in the fifth.

▸ Mexico City tractor, Alvaro Gutierrez, 147, regained his old national welter title when he kayoed Raymundo "Battling" Torres, 147, in the second round. It was a short but very dramatic fight.

Jesus "Chucho" Garcia, 128, Tamaulipas featherweight champ, beat Cecilio "Chilo" Barranco, 126, feather king of Veracruz, in ten rounds. Facundo "Panterita" Jacome, 132, Mexico City, halted Miguel Hernandez, 135, Monterrey, in the ninth.

NUEVO LAREDO—The Youngstown King Vagabond, "Massa" Langston Carl Morgan, 149, went ahead with his fighting season and now he kayoed Ruben Rivera, 148, Monterrey classy boy, in the sixth round. In the scheduled 10-round semi-final bout, Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz, 130, stopped "Gallito" Gonzalez, 129, in the eighth heat.

JUAREZ—Marciano Rivas, 123, surprised when he kayoed Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 122, La Laguna, in the eighth round. Guillermo "Memo" Luna, 135, La Laguna, put to sleep Juanito Rodriguez, 134, also in the eighth heat.

DURANGO—Rogelio Fernandez, 126, local strong boy, outscored Genaro Gaytan, 125, Mexico City, in ten rounds, Guillermo "Memo" Vega, 117, Mexico City, halted Antonio "Toño" Luna, 117, Durango, in the sixth.

SALTILLO—Langston Carl Morgan, 148, Youngstown, Ohio, completed his monthly job when he embalmed "The Tiger" Rudy Garcia, 150, in the third round. He takes on any man from lightweight to middleweight if the promoters pay him a fixed fee of $1,000 for fight. "I need a minimum of $2,000 monthly for living," said L.C. to this writer when he was in Torreon.

SOUTHERN MEXICO

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ—Three shows were staged in this tropical City (42,423 population) during the month.

▸ Ray Reyes, 135, drew with Gustavo Garcia, 133, after ten well fought rounds. Agustin Siliceo, 115, stopped "Pajarito" Ruiz, 116, in the eighth heat.

▸ "Torrito" Garrido, 115, decisioned local musquito Jesus "Chuncho" Hernandez, 113, in ten rounds. "Relampago" Zarate, 113, stopped Javier "Torito" Gomez, 112, in the fifth.

▸ "Oaxaco" Garcia, 120, scored a 6-round knockout over Jose Calderon, 119, Puebla. Joel Cruz, 111, iced Agustin Siliceo, 112, in the early second heat.

PACIFIC COAST

HERMOSILLO—Three boxing shows were staged in this 94,383 population city, capital of the Sonora State.

▸ Manuel Tarazon, 126, bested Sergio Muzquiz, 128, in ten rounds. Ernesto "Gasolin" Lopez, 148, and Carlos Arias, 152, drew after 10 rounds. "Chango" Patiño, 124, kayoed Ray Llamas, 125, in the fourth.

▸ Ernesto "Gasolin" Lopez, 149, kayoed Carlos Arias, 151, in the fifth. Marcial Arias, 118, put to sleep Vicente Alvarez, 117, in the second round. Tony Hernandez, 121, halted "Borrego" Torres, 122, also in round number 2.

▸ Francisco Cancio, 143, the Sonora hard hitter, kayoed Gil Nolasco, 145, in the sixth round. "Bufalito" Hernandez, 132, bested Chero Arnold, 130, in the 10-round semifinal match.

ACAPULCO—The Lutteroth organization staged four programs in Arena "Coliseo" during the month and the results follow:

▸ Zorrito Castañon, 118, arose from the canvas by three times and he kayoed Julio Moreno, 118, Tampico champion, in the sixth round. Alfonso Izquierdo, 117, Mexico City, stopped "Torito" Navarrete, 116, in the third.

▸ Juan Molina, 115, Mexico City, decisioned Felix Padilla, 116, in ten rounds. Padilla visited the canvas twice. Ruben Olguin, 118, halted Joel Garcia, 117, in the second round.

▸ Ernesto Beltran, 128, whipped Al Soria, 127, Mexico City, in ten rounds. Chocolate Kid, 132, iced Gustavo Garcia, 132, in the third.

▸ Zorrito Castañon, 117, outpointed Samuel Castillo, 118, Mexico City, after ten heats. Francisco Muñez, 125, bested Marcos "Perro" Aguilar, 126, in the 8-round semi-final match.

OBREGON—They had two shows during the month with the results as follows:

▸ Emir Duberger "Baby Luis," 125, Cuban hitter, got the 10-round unanimous decision over Sonora's cowboy Rudy Coronado, 124. Kamara Diop, 119, Senegal, Africa, scored a very dramatic 1-round kayo over Lorenzo "Osito" Galvan, 117, Mexico City. The time was 1:54.

▸ Mauro Vasquez, 148, the handsome boy from Tlaxcala, scored a 10-round kayo triumph over Maximino "Jesse" Armenta, 149. It was a rough fight but Mauro has the class.

MAZATLAN—Jose Luis Cruz, 138, the Tarasco Indian who is the national lightweight champion, put to sleep Cordoba Rodriguez, 137, Mexico City, in the fifth round. Pancho Tirado, 132, kayoed Manuel Ochoa, 130, in the fourth. Pancho, a hot card, floored his man three times.

TIJUANA—Three boxing shows were staged in this border city of Baja California.

▸ Federico Borboa, 132, outscored Enrique "Pulga" Serrano, 135, in ten. Ignacio "Nacho" Mendoza, 127, bested Zurdo Reygosa, 125, also in a tenner.

▸ Gaspar "Indian" Ortega, 150, halted Carlos Arias, 153, in the second round.

▸ Guillermo "Gorila" Lopez, 147, upset veteran Alfredo "Molote" Cota, 148, in ten rounds. "Mexico" Hernandez, 122, kayoed Chamaco Perez, 123, in the fourth round.

AGUA PRIETA—Veteran Pedro Perez "Chihuahua Kid", 136, was held to a 10-round draw by young Jose Rivera "Kid Tala", 140. Kenny Teran, 133, stopped Armando "Chamaco" Peraza, 130, in the fourth round.

CULIACAN—Librado Cortes, 136, defeated veteran Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 134, Mexico City, in ten rounds.

LOS MOCHIS—Guillermo "Memo" Ayon, 160, won over Aristeo Chavarin, 159, in ten rounds.

SALINA CRUZ—Veteran sailor man Javier Garfias, 125, returned to the active ring and he easily kayoed "Cubanito" Gonzalez, 125, in the third round.

CENTRAL MEXICO

GUADALAJARA—Only two boxing shows were staged during the month in this beautiful (734,346 population) capital of the Jalisco State. Both were at Arena "Coliseo" of the Lutteroth organization.

▸ Jorge Rosales, 145, local prospect, kayoed Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 147, La Laguna, in the second round. The victor floored his "Goat" three times. "Pegaso" Lopez, 126, bested Juan Quiroz, 125, in the 10-round semi-final match.

▸ Carlos "Marinero" Celis, 132, scores a 3-round knockout over Cesar Barrow, 133, British Guiana champion.

Lorenzo Ortega, 129, kayoed Merced Soria, 128, in the fourth round.

PACHUCA—Juan Valdez, 120, stopped such "Toro" Moreno, 123, in the seventh round.

PENJAMO—Gallant veteran and band leader, "Don" Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 135, kayoed Kid Guanajuato, 137, in the third round. The Old babe at one time was national lightweight champ.

FROM JOHANNESBURG
By Monty Sacho

OLYMPIA ICE RINK—The return bout for the South African welter-weight championship between champ Willie Ludick and challenger Fraser Toweel, the last of the "Fighting Toweels," took place before 5,000 excited fans. The fight had a dramatic 3rd round conclusion when Ludick chopped over a short right, and as Toweel attempted to ride the blow, the champ caught him with a stunning left uppercut. Toweel took the full count on hands and knees.

Ewald de Waal, heavyweight, beat veteran Alf McKnight on points, and Tommy Miller knocked out Kiewiet du Rand in the first round.

The cruiser-weight division saw Jimmy du Toit k.o. Boela Meyers in the first heat. Du Toit looks like a fighter with a future. He carries heavy guns in both his mitts.

The three remaining contests on the bill were all welters over 4 rounds: Spider Kelly beat Attie Stander on points; Joe Horn beat Gert Maritz, points; Ticky Azor beat Wynan Saunders, points.

ELLIS PARK STADIUM—A capacity crowd saw Stoffel Steyn, South African lightweight king, retire in the 9th round of his ten-rounder with Kenny Lane. Steyn was outclassed. Lane survived a 1st round knock-down, but as soon as he found a counter to Steyn's vicious left hook, he pounded Steyn with a barrage of right jabs and overhead lefts. The American's punches, though not of knock-out variety, gradually reduced the local boy to a badly battered loser.

OTHER RESULTS—Chris Van Rooyen (171) beat Buster Perry (167) t.k.o. 3rd round. Joe Horn (144) beat Charlie Els (143) on points. Horn now becomes leading contender for Willie Ludick's title. Els announced his retirement from the game.

Spider Kelly (145) beat Gert Maritz (146) t.k.o. 4th heat.

Johnny Wood (144) beat Ticky Azor (149) on points. Wood shows promise.

Ewald de Waal (203) beat Tommy Miller (191) k.o. 3rd round. In a rousing bantam encounter, former Empire champion Dennis Adams was knocked out by fiery Brian Mitchell in the 3rd round.

WINNIPEG—BOXING
By AL THAIN

Winnipeg Boxing fans who had enjoyed the first card in Winnipeg in ten years in March, were eagerly awaiting the second card to be put on by the newly formed Civic Athletic Club. So the second show came on May 6 at the Civic Auditorium.

In the main event Al Sparks (174) of Winnipeg, No. 1 Contender for the Canadian Light heavyweight title, trounced "Indian" Tommy Caldwell (168) of Chicago over ten rough rounds.

Rudy Rodriguiz (158) of Rochester defeated Billy Kerr (158) of Memphis in 6. Jimmy Griffin (152) of Chicago KO'd Frank Harris (148) of Springfield in one.

Winnipeg's other favorite, Gordie Paull (163) easily defeated rugged Wally Lee Rogers (161) of Chicago in four. Micky Davitt (138) of Rochester and "Irish" Johnny Curtain (138) of Chicago battled to a four round draw.

DRUMBEATS FROM NORTHERN RHODESIA
By Tommy Miller

▸ Following months of inactivity, things are now beginning to move in Northern Rhodesia fistic affairs, and the long-awaited featherweight title fight between Patson December, Lusaka, and Fix Njelamanda, Kitwe, is scheduled for Buchi Stadium, Kitwe, in the near future.

Former star middleweight Doug Miller is working on a scheme to screen regular live television contests from the TV studios in Kitwe. Television has only been going for about four years in Northern Rhodesia, and screening is at present confined to the Copperbelt area.

This will be the first venture into the live screening of professional boxing from a studio to be undertaken in Southern Africa, and it should help considerably as regards arousing more public interest in the fight game.

It has now been officially announced that Northern Rhodesia will attain full independence on October 24, when the country will become the Republic of Zambia. Gigantic celebrations are being organized to commemorate the occasion, and sport will play its part in the official entertainments. It is hoped that boxing, a sport for which Africans have a natural aptitude, will be prominently featured.

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NEW ORLEANS BOXING
By Ike Morales

Since his exciting kayo of Gregorio Peralta recently, Willie Pastrano has been flooded with offers to defend his world's light-heavyweight championship, including two from Europe. Manager Angelo Dundee said he was studying all and would be ready soon to announce Pastrano's next title opponent.

Bobo Olso, one-time welterweight ruler, was being mentioned quite frequently as Willie's next opponent. Pastrano's latest offer came from Matchmaker Inigo Lucchesi—a $50,000 guarantee for Willie to defend against Eddie Cotton in Seattle, Wash., this summer. The Cotton-Pastrano fight, if arranged, would be in the new Seattle Coliseum, which is to be completed during the summer and will seat 18,000.

New Orleans Promoter Bonnie Geigerman, who promoted the Pastrano-Peralta fight, said he was aiming to get Willie's next title bout for the Crescent City.

After being pushed around in recent starts, Ralph Dupas decided to give it another fling, hoping his long rest from ring activity would put him in good stead.

After winning the championship, Dupas successfully defended it in a return match against Moyer at Baltimore before being uncrowned last September 7 by the Italian, Sandro Mazzinghi, on a ninth round kayo in Milan, Italy.

In a rematch on December 2 in Sydney, Australia, after Ralph had defeated Gary Cowburn at Brisbane, the New Orleans boxer was again stopped by the Italian champion, this time in 13 rounds.

After a couple months rest, Ralph returned to the ring last February 10 in a non-title bout with world's welterweight champion Emile Griffith at Sydney, and suffered a three-round knockout, being decked three times in the second round.

Since his return home, Ralph has been working diligently under the guidance of his old manager, Whitey Esneault, who developed Ralph, along with Willie Pastrano, into one of the fastest and fanciest boxers in the game today.

▸ "Ole Bones" Joe Brown keeps rolling along. The former lightweight champion has been moving around the country taking potshots at opponents who would have made ordinary sparring partners for Joe during his heyday. Brown's latest was a loss to Paulie Armstead in San Francisco on May 25. It went the full 10 rounds.

Angelo Dundee believes boxing's new frontiers are Italy and Japan. Dundee was astounded recently when he visited a Rome gym and found 70 boxers hard at work. "And that was only one gym," he said . . . "And every gym in Japan is packed and they have a TV fight six days a week. The next few years you're gonna see a mass import of Italian and Japanese fighters."

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOXING NEWS
By Ruggles Larson

BOISE, Idaho — Headlining a benefit boxing show, George Logan, 205, boxed a four round exhibition with fellow Boisian Gail Wright, 223. Logan decked Wright for an eight count in the second round and they finished the last two rounds slugging toe-to-toe.

Four rounders—Jerry Nicolona, 133, Boise, regained revenge against Jesse Guerra, 134, Nyssa, Ore., by winning a four round decision. Don Hooper, 130, Boise, won a unaminous decision over Sexto Espinoz, 128, Homedale. Manuel Loera, 123, Nyssa, and Jamie Perelez, 123, Emmett, drew. Ray Barritua, 140, Boise, kayoed Bob McMillen 144, Homedale, in the first round.

Phil Sloan, 148, Nampa, won a split decision over Larry Anderson, 145, Boise. Wes Sherill, 165, Boise, won a split decision over Larry Ryan, 163, Boise. Lou Phillips, 188, Boise, t.k.o.'ed Joe Lewis, 202, Boise, in the second round.

The Al Berro promotion drew 651 fans. The proceeds from the card were turned over to Idaho's Basque Dancers for their trip to the New York World's Fair.

EUGENE, Oregon—Pepper Brown, 146½, won a ten round split decision over Eugene's Ken Franklin, to win recognition as Oregon State's Welterweight champ.

In a companion ten rounder, Ron Thompson, 159½, kayoed in 9, Cal Brown, 159, Portland, Ore., to win recognition as State Middleweight champ.

In the lone preliminary bout, a six rounder, Mike Tunnery, 154, Portland, kayoed Ernie Gipson, 155, Seattle, Wash., in the fifth round.

The Phil Moyer presentation drew 1,109 fans.

PORTLAND, Oregon—Richie Sue, 128, Portland, Ore., won a six round unanimous decision over Ray "Flash" Coleman, 132, Phoenix, Arizona.

Sue decked Coleman with a right hand in the third round and from this point had things pretty much his own way.

Prelims:—George Wright, 160, Tacoma, Wash., t.k.o.'ed Charley Hall, 161, Phoenix, in the fifth round. Andy Kendall, 159, Portland, kayoed Scrap Iron Johnson, 163, Oklahoma City, in the first round.

Mike Tunney, 154, Portland, won a split decision over Carl Moore, 153, Portland, in four rounds. Oscar Morris, 146, Tacoma, Wash., kayoed Battling Siki, 142, Seattle, in the third round.

The card drew 1,515 fans.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

Stan Harrington, 151¼, appearing for the first time since his KO loss to Emile Griffith, won a ten round decision over Charley Scott, 151, of Philadelphia in a fight held at the Civic Auditorium. This was one of Harrington's better fights. He won easily and unanimously. Judges Louis Freitas and Walter Cho favored Harrington with identical scores of 49-41, while referee Wilbert Minn had it 48-41.

Charley Scott fought in such short and infrequent spurts that he wouldn't have won the fight even if he had connected with all his punches. The fact was that he landed very few punches and not one which made Harrington uncomfortable even for a moment.

Harrington suffered a disputed knockdown, which appeared more like a slip, in the fourth round. Scott went down from a hard right to the jaw in the ninth.

The fight was a Boxing Enterprises promotion which drew 2,567 fans and grossed $7,706.30.

Johnny Santo, 141¾, TKO'ed Bobby Burdett, 141¾, in the 1st of 8. Lionel Rivera, 131¾, TKO'ed Baby Brown, 131, in the 5th of 6. Paul Sebastian, 122½, TKO'ed Bobby Pereira, 124½, in the 4th and final rd. Dennis Hesia, 141¾, beat Kazuo Matsuki, 143½, 4 rd. George Thompson, 151½, decisioned George Madeira, 150. 4 rds.

Eddie Pace, 153, of Los Angeles pounded out a decisive win over the Hurricane Kid, 155, in a ten round fight at the Civic Auditorium. The verdict favoring the hard hitting Pace was a unanimous one.

The fight was pretty even up to the seventh round. But even at that stage it appeared certain that Pace would come out the eventual winner. He appeared the stronger of the two and he made the Kid fight his style.

From the eighth round on Pace completely dominated the fight. In the last round he had the Kid reeling from a barrage of blows to the head and would have scored a knockout had the fight gone a minute longer.

Promoted by Lyle Sprinkle, the fight drew 2,253 fans and grossed $5,383.00.

Fouvale Lutu, 135, TKO'ed Clarence Felder, 138, in the 3rd of 6. Paul Sebastian, 122½, TKO'ed Don Hicks, 126¾, in the 4th and final round. Kazuo Matsuki, 141¼, TKO'ed Edward Ki, 139½, in the 1st of 4. Marcellus Dudoit, 170, beat Mike Fiso, 171, 4 rds.

OHIO BOXING NEWS
By Eddie Schauer

Buckeye state boxing slowed somewhat with the entrance of summer. One show was held in Cleveland with middle champ Joey Giardello snagging a unanimous but highly unpopular nod over Rocky Riverio. My! How the boos did roll through the Arena!

Rocky gained a host of fans on this one.

On the undercard; Amos Johnson, 194, of Medina, Ohio took a good win over Cody Jones, 204, of Detroit in a ten. Joe Louis was the referee of this one and the fans gave him a wonderful ovation.

Billy Joiner, 190, of Cincinnati won on a TKO in 2:50 of the eighth over Oran Johnson, 213 of New York.

Bobby Sandello, 120, of Cleveland, making his pro debut, stopped Ted Hacket, 121, of Painesville, in 1:20 of the first round.

Doug Agin, lightweight from Steubenville won a six over Johnny Curtin of Chicago in the bout following the main.

One week before this show—Bobby Bush, presenting his regular card at the Painesville Armory, was forced to cancel his whole show. Bush had spent better than a month publicizing a ten-rounder between local heavyweight Paul Simpson and Billy Joiner of Cincinnati. Interest was high and it looked as tho Bush would click with a winner after two previous losses. Joiner hurt his hand and could not go through with the bout. The same day that the newspapers got the report of Joiner's injury they got another release from Cleveland that Joiner had signed to box Oran Johnson on the Giardello-Rivera card.

Joiner boxed on the Cleveland show and promoter Bush was left holding the bag with a mess of expenses since he was unable to obtain good substitutes due to much mismanagement by all concerned.

Down south things are as dead as ever.

Send your notes and news to the writer at 4639 Webb Rd., Perry, Ohio.

TOLEDO FISTIC HEADLINES
By HAL GROTHJAN

Wilbert (Skeeter) McClure continued his winning ways by pounding out a decision over Clarence (Jet) Alford at a show in nearby Akron promoted by Pete Rademacher.

Also impressive on the Akron card was Willie McMillian, Toledo lightheavyweight, who won his second straight unanimous decision over Jimmy Christopher of Detroit. Willie, a former veteran amateur star, remains undefeated as a pro.

Jimmy Pettaway, flashy Toledo lightweight, is eager for action. The crowd-pleasing Pettaway's career has been slowed down considerably by lack of opposition.

Congratulations to Toledo's Bob McMillian who won the National Golden Gloves middleweight championship with only 13 fights under his belt. McMillian was defeated in the finals in Las Vegas of the National AAU tournament. The 17-year-old high school student was beaten in the Olympic Tryouts at New York City.

This writer's bi-monthly boxing newsletter has been successfully initiated. Managers, promoters and officials are urged to send results, general information, and any news and this writer will attempt to use the newsletter as a "clearing house" of nation-wide boxing information. Subscriptions are eight dollars a year.

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

Time marches on . . . truer words were never spoken. As the days, weeks and months pass, you suddenly take a look back and realize that it has been a long time since . . . You read in the January 1936 issue of "Ring" that "Ralph Sikes, the San Antonio welter, and one of the most promising boys ever developed in this section, had his brilliant career halted abruptly by an injured eye sustained in a bout with Eddie Murdock several months ago. The injured optic failed to respond to treatment thus far and it is doubtful if it will ever permit him to box again."

The May 1936 issue said, "Jack Thurmond's heavy, George Brown, seems to have finally hit his stride. George is another youngster who has been around for sometime gaining that old experience. He recently scored a sensational knockout over Curtis Scott the classy Dallas puncher."

In the July 1936 issue we read, "Jack Thurmond, probably the State's leading manager of fisticuffers, has bobbed up with one of the finest looking young heavyweights we have ever seen in Weldon Waycott. Waycott is a shifty, crafty, ringster who also carries a deadly sock. He continued his upward rush with a win over Jack Sanders, and held the cagy veteran Manuel Luna to a draw."

It gave the writer a real pleasure to re-read the June 1937 "Ring," and to note that "Jo Jo Passante, Houston featherweight, made it 100 consecutive victories when he won over Joe Lucero. Jo Jo has had 80 amateur and 20 pro fights and has never failed to come home in front."

The February 1938 issue said, "Raymond Serrano, less than a year out of the simon pures, made it nine consecutive wins by flattening Erwin Cude and decisively trouncing Coldon Aubert. Raymond has a world of class, and will be boxing tops shortly."

The May 1935 "Ring" told of Jimmy Lacoume beating Denny Britt and Chato Gonzales. The November 1935 issue pointed out that Jo Jo Passante was being handled by Roxy Kalo, likeable local fight manager.

Although the writer of this column was living in Victoria, about 120 miles south of Houston, and was a low elementary grade student, he was an avid follower of boxing, and a regular purchaser of "Ring" in those days. Now here it is mid-1964, some 27-29 years later and a heckuva lot of water has crossed under the old bridge as everyone knows, and surely for the guys I've mentioned including myself.

Let's see now, taking first things first, and it would take a book to fill you in on all the happenings since the aforementioned years, we'll just look in on all the fellows as they stand today.

Ralph Sikes is in the composing room of the Houston Chronicle, and a Master Sergeant (maybe they don't call 'em that anymore) in the Marine Corps Reserve . . . George Brown is now with the Harris County Sheriff's Department, and he's a jailer . . . Weldon Waycott is an Inspector with the Houston Police Department, and one of the State's top lawmen.

Jo Jo Passante is with Lone Star Brewery, and the beer people have a good man in the popular Italian who still finds time to work out on occasions . . . Raymond Serrano is a maintenance man at one of the downtown buildings, and finds time to train his 16-year old son Raymond, Jr., who is a promising amateur mittster and baseball pitcher.

The writer of this column—well, he's grown up just a little—in size anyway. Among various and sundry things he handles the publicity for Texas Boxing Enterprises, and of course writes this column.

Yep, that old clock on the wall spins around faster and faster, and that calendar needs replacing altogether too often.

Odds and Ends. . . . Rocky Randell the youthful veteran of some 135-pro ring wars by the book is one of a vanishing breed. Still active, he's looking for action while training at King's Korner Gym in Houston. As we go to press the Rock says he'd like to have 200 fights before calling it quits. He may be the last of a vanishing breed of fighting men. There won't be many more crashing that select group of pugilists with over 100 money battles to their credit.

Beaumont, Texas — Harry Manteris, Matchmaker. Steve Freeman acted like he was in a big hurry to go someplace the nite of May 26th when he took on Harry Caminita the long-time campaigner out of New Orleans in the 10-round feature event at the Sportatorium. Little Stevie didn't give the folks in Beaumont, where he was showing for the first time, a chance to get acquainted.

He dumped Caminita for nine midway of the second round then finished the Crescent City Italian off for the evening a few seconds later with a left-right combination to the whiskers. Steve weighed 127, Caminita 133.

Melvin Mott, 147, Houston, edged Mel Sertin, 146, New Orleans, in the six round semi-final to keep his unbeaten string going as far as Beaumont is concerned. Whistlin' Willie Watson, 136, Houston, a sort of prelim edition of Joe Brown, outcuted Joe Gans, 135, New Orleans, in a fast four. The veteran Whistlin' man has been around the money circuit for about a decade now, and can always be counted upon to give a good performance.

Speedy Welch, 145, New Orleans, hammered out a four round win over young Huey Holmes, 142, Houston. Mike Lanum, 195, Houston (by way of Cleveland, Ohio) made his pro debut a successful one by stopping another newcomer Henry Huntsman, 190, Houston, in the first round.

I'm not sure just how many good folks in Iowa recall the fistic efforts of Irish Pat O'Grady during the late 1940's, but the wandering boy from the cornfield dropped in on us Texans in the 50's and has stayed on. The writer saw him for the first time back in 1954, when he was a pretty cute middleweight, and came to Galveston with the late Lefty Speed for a six round bout. He only fought a couple of times in the Lone Star State then became a fight manager.

O'Grady is probably the most travelled fistic mentor in Texas, and he has some pretty good boys going for him—let's see, there's classy, hard hitting feather Paul Alba, sensational flyweight-bantam Frankie Duran, and rugged Benito Juarez a welter, among others.

The writer receives so many letters about old boxing programs that we'd like to mention we have a list of old programs available, and you can secure this list by dropping the writer a letter at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas 77401, also, enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

BOXING IN OKLAHOMA
By BOB JOHNSON

Promoter Merl Lindsay staged his fourth boxing show on April 27, 1964. Thirteen hundred fans turned out to witness a very good card.

In the ten round main event, Wayne Heath, 212, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, scored a knockout over Clarence Boone, 190, Fort Worth, Texas, in 2:10 of the first round. A real sharp right scored the K.O.

In the six round Semi-final, Elmo Henderson, 165, Corpus Christi, Texas, stopped Alonzo Harris, 165, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in 1:00 of the fifth round.

In a four rounder, Chico Martinez, 193, Oklahoma City, knocked out Michael Peawardy, 185, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in 2:00 of the third round.

In another four rounder Dick James, 160, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, lost an unpopular decision to Horace Davis, 160, of Dallas, Texas.

In another four rounder "Kid" Boone, 160, Fort Worth, Texas, stopped "Dutch" Paukner, 160, Dallas, in 1:45 of the second round.

Wayne Heath, Oklahoma City's heavyweight who has scored two quick kayos since his return home. Wayne has won 7 of 10 and is undefeated in his last six bouts.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

By CHARLEY PARRISH

DePICCOLI STARTS COMEBACK

The British decision to quit the EBU over the adoption of the ten weights, caused considerable comment, it is to these new weights that the BBB of C object. Howard Winstone will be deprived of his European featherweight title, which he recently defended by stopping Lino Mastellaro in fourteen rounds and Henry Cooper will be relieved of the heavies diadem. Mildenberger will meet either Wim Snoek or the winner of the Piero Tomasoni vs Sante Amonti match, who will soon have settled accounts when they meet for the Italian title.

LATE NEWS: **PARIS** (14th May). Felix Brami moved definitely into the top echelon by clearly outpointing Minum ben Ali of Spain in a bantam ten.

HELSINKI (22nd May). Risto Luukkonen retained his European bantam title by outscoring the Frenchman, Pierre Vetroff, over 15 rounds.

▸ **BERLIN**—At the Sports Palace, Willi Quatuor finally achieved his ambition of boxing for a European title and clinched matters by stopping Michele Gullotti to win the vacant lightweight diadem. Rudhof had previously won the lightweight title by defeating Campari but the weights were re-shuffled and Rudhof found himself lightwelter champion instead.

Quatuor, 131, boxed with cold calculation, wearing down the tenacious Italian with splendid sharpshooting. Gullotti continued to fight strongly until the fourteenth, when the Dortmunder caught him with a left and a right to the chin. Gullotti went down slowly, badly hurt, but was up at "9". As the referee stepped back, Quatuor threw another hook to Gullotti's chin. The Italian still had his hands by his sides and caught the blow unawares. He dropped to the resin and the referee stopped the fight. The crowd of 6,000 went delirious. Quatuor's defense was good, Gullotti lacked the punch and the science to threaten his chances.

Italians featured in several other bouts, the veteran Aldo Pravisani, 134, made things interesting for Conny Rudhof for 8 rounds but was cleverly outboxed by his younger opponent. Gerhard Zech, 213, couldn't stow away the robust Federico Frisco, 214, although he landed flush on the Italian's chin time and again. Frisco tripped and fell in the eighth but came back slugging to finish a game points loser.

Horst Benedens, 177, boxed well to outpoint the highly-rated Argentinian, José Angel Manzur, 180, over 8 rounds; Manzur was on the brink of a kayo defeat several times. Werner Mundt, 148, edged out a points win over Peter Michalski, 154, in 8.

▸ **MADRID, Spain**—At the Fiesta Alegre, Lopez Rodriguez battled to a close points win over Alfonso del Rio in an extremely gory light-welter 8 and Lazaro Blanquer nodded Serafin Cardos in a bantam 8. Segun Vallin whipped Segura in a feathers six.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain**—Juan Pinto triumphed over Let Shonibare of Nigeria in a hard-fought lightweight 8 and Angel Chinea shaded Francisco Carreno in a bantam 8. Manuel Carvajal outscored José Merayo in a lightie eight.

▸ **PARIS**—At the Central, Pierre Minier defeated Robert Leveque in a welter 8, René Merlin kayoed Dekersmaker of Belgium in the opening heat of a feathers bout and Lellouche halted another Belgian, Magri, in the fourth round of a middleweight bout.

▸ **CALAIS, France**—Daniel Deneux climbed further up the lightweight ladder by trouncing Roger Prigent over ten rounds here. Prigent butted open a bad cut over his opponent's left eye in the sixth but Deneux survived the injury.

▸ **CHATEAU-THIERRY**—Jean Pichard won from Daniel Vuillaume in a feathers 8.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain**—Cesareo Barrera, 154, retained his light-middles title by defeating Felipe Alayeto, 152, over 12 rounds at the Sports Palace. It was a scrappy sort of bout but the crowd thought Alayeto had won and booed accordingly.

Mimun ben Ali, 115, won clearly in a return clash with the Ghanian, Benny Lee, over ten rounds and Fred Galiana, 141, fought an excellent

Franco DePiccoli, former Olympic champion, who returned to action after a ten months layoff by kayoing Danish Champion, Carl Welschou in four rounds.

bout with Napoleao de Sylva, 149, of Brazil. This was also a return affair and Galiana handed his adversary a regular battering. José Riba kept the Catalan lightwelter title by holding José Cabrera to a draw.

▸ **DORTMUND, Germany**—Hector Constance, 154, wily veteran of many fights, made the mistake of slugging it out with Jupp Elze, 160, and paid the penalty. Elze went out for a quick victory and Constance was able to hit his man at will but in the fourth round he was badgered into exchanging shots with the rugged youngster. The Trinidadian was counted for "8" and as he weakened further under Elze's barrage, the referee called a halt during the fifth round.

Harry Kurschat, 143, returned to the wars, stopping Manfred Lessmann in the eighth round and Willi Niederau, 159, was too strong for game Teddy Schall, 156, of Austria. Schall's corner skied the towel during the seventh, after he had taken a count.

Wolfgang Halbritter drew with Peter Donner, both 162, over six rounds and Boualem Belouard, 128, won a close nod from the Spaniard, Eusebio Mesa, 122, over six. Guenther Backes scored over Wolfgang Fritsche, 137, in four rounds.

▸ **CREMONA, Italy**—Luigi Lucini won a points victory over the French bantam, Charles Centa, after an 8-rounder fought at top speed. Sandro Schiavetta, former amateur ace, was held to a draw by Jesus Zarco in a feathers 8 though he floored the Spaniard in the fourth round.

▸ **VERONA, Italy**—Giulio Graziani was unable to drop hard-rock Enzio Rozzi although he clouted the Venetian welter with every punch at his command and finished a clear points winner. Luigi Ferraro stopped Angelo Canclini in the seventh heat of a feathers dispute.

▸ **RIMINI**—Efrem Donati had a hard task defeating tough Giuseppe Amante in a welter 8.

▸ **MILAN, Italy**—At the Lido, Sandro Lopopulo fought a draw with the noted Argentine lightweight, Valerio Nunez, who was often in trouble in the opening rounds but came back to score freely later on. The bout ended as a confused scuffle with Nunez getting a slight edge.

Renato Galli suffered a setback against Ernesto Martinsen, starting too late to rob the Dano-Argentinian of his points win while Pedro Carrasco stopped Scatolini in the fourth stage of a lightweight duel. Giovanni Capasso trimmed Ugo Fontana in a welter 6 and Ricci knocked out Bacchetti in the third, lightweights.

▸ **ROME**—The European Flyweight title was retained by Salvatore Burruni, 112, against Walter MacGowan of Scotland, 110. Burruni had extreme difficulty in making the weight. He was the aggressor for most of the 15 rounds.

MacGowan put up a better show than expected and finished strongly. He was able to cut the champion on the cheekbone, nose and left eyebrow and at times Burruni's face was a mask of blood. MacGowan carried the champion around the ring after the verdict was announced.

Sandro Mazzinghi had a bad time swapping punches with Charlie Austin, who dropped the World Champion with a short right to the chin in the second round. At the end of the fourth, Mazzinghi was again in real trouble and only the bell saved him from a further count. Austin was ahead on points when a wild swing opened a cut over his right eye during the eighth and, after some discussion, he remained seated at the call for the ninth round.

Also disappointing was the match between Giordano Campari, 138, and the Finn, Olli Maeki 141, both counter-punchers waiting for the other to strike first. They were ordered to make a fight of it. Maeki was twice warned for butting and Campari was given the verdict, drawing a fusillade of missiles from the audience.

Oscar Miranda decisioned Nando Proietti in a fast welter 8 and Casti defeated Andrea Silanos in a feathers 8. Attendance at the Sports Palace, 16,000.

▸ **LA ROCHELLE, France**—Gilles Fincato was lucky to share honors with Vicente Ferrando in a welter 8.

▸ **MONTARGIS**—Michel Houdeau won from Aldo Asaro in a feathers 8. Albert Desproges nodded André Delande in a bantam 6 and Simon Hernandez defeated Magri, Belgian middleweight, over 8 rounds.

▸ **LYONS, France**—Fabio Bettini knocked out Georges Estatoff in the eighth round of a turbulent light-middles slam and Porcel halted Jean Sandroni in the eighth frame of a flyweight debate.

▸ **SAVONA, Italy**—Roberto Bracco returned to action after a long layoff, defeating Giancarlo Bacchini in a heavyweight six.

▸ **LEGHORN**—Franco Brondi waded right in and belted out Antonio de Jesus of Brazil in the opening round of their light-welter clash.

▸ **TREVISO, Italy**—Piero Brandi scored a close points win over Stelluti in a light-welter 8 and Domenico Pillon won from Colombo in a lightweight 6.

▸ **CIVITAVECCHIA** — Vittorio Saraudi trimmed Basilio Cominardi in a lightheavy six.

▸ **ST. QUENTIN, France**—Paul Roux regained the cruiser title by defeating Bernard Quellier in a return clash, over 12 rounds. Quellier kicked off with a masterly display of boxing science but was floored twice during the eighth for "8" and "9" and failed to make up the leeway.

▸ **AOSTA, Italy** — José Luis Martinez, former Spanish top-liner, was defeated by Enrico Piccinelli in a feathers six; Daniel Pillet, French welter was ruled out for butting in the fifth round against Silvio Ceriano.

▸ **PARIS**—Felix Brami, undefeated in 22 bouts, added another scalp to his belt by banging out Raton Osuna of Spain in the second round of a bantam slam. Daniel Brunet drew with Roger Keromnes in a welter ten.

▸ **MADRID, Spain**—Francisco Moreno became the first light-middles champion of Castile by outpointing Luis Briones, a tough southpaw, over ten rounds at the Fiesta Alegre. Tony Alonso obliged Francisco Puente to retire in the fourth heat of a lightweight debate. In the best bout on the card, Francisco Berdonces defeated Serrano II in a bantam 8.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain**—Bobby Ros fought to a draw with Juan Pinto in a lightweight 8, Andres Navarro Moreno stopped Alberto Alsinet in the fourth frame of a light-middles slugfest and Koli Mustafa, the popular Nigerian bantam, also halted Martin Hermida in four.

▸ **NAPLES, Italy**—The former Austrian middleweight star, Hugo Koehler, 154, returned to action with Bruno Visintin as his first opponent. The visitor was knocked down three times before the bout was stopped in Visintin's favor during the

sixth.

Jesse Jones, welter, was ruled out in the second round for repeated fouls against Ciro Cipriani and lightheavy Alfredo Wogrig dropped Luigi Napoleoni three times, the ref halting the cruiser bout in the third. Attendance, 2100.

GENOA, Italy—Benito Michelon, 175, scored his most important victory as yet by defeating Johnny Halafihi in a torrid 8-rounder and Giuseppe Migliari, 189, won from Mariano Echevarria, 195, in the fourth round of an even scrap when the Spaniard sustained an injured optic.

Mirko Rossi drew with José Navarro Paredes of Spain in a fast battle and Domenico Orma whipped Leopold Escuin, Spain, in a second welter 8.

BILBOA, Spain—Fred Galiana had a workout at the expense of Vitor Alves, decking the Portuguese several times before he decided to retire during the third round. Juan Lopez Rodriguez was forced to retire during the seventh round of his lightwelter scrap with José Riba, caused by an involuntary butt.

Victor Carrascosa gained an unpopular verdict over Koli Mustapha in Nigeria in a bantam 8 and Barcala battered José-Maria Barcena into submission in the second session of a lightweight affair.

OVIEDO, Spain—Sampeiro won from Ventura Mesa in a lightweight 8, the Basque welter, Manuel Laquidain, stopped Balbuena in six rounds and Riveiro, favored as a title-contender, outscored Rodri in a lightie 8.

LEON—Riveiro trounced Gonzalez Solana over 8 rounds.

MURCIA—Francisco Moreno slugged it out with Luis Briones in a welter 8, winning by a narrow margin and Francisco Berdonees knocked out Antonio Garcia Puente with a right to the chin in the second stanza of a bantam dispute.

MILAN, Italy—David whipped Goliath at the Lido Palace when José Manzur, 182, used the Canadian giant, Giancarlo Barazza, 204, as a chopping block for three and a half rounds. Barazza never bothered to avoid a punch and found it difficult to land one, so the bout was stopped.

The latest group of South American invaders made their bow. Carmelo Bossi, 148, had great trouble in defeating Julio Rocha over 8 rounds but the remaining Uruguayans emerged on the winning end.

Jupiter Mansilla bested Antonio Satta in a flyweight 8, Eduardo Battista won from Sonny Forbes in a welter 8 and Ruben Oricco defeated Rota in a middles 8.

PARIS—At the Central, Emile Denaes won in the fifth round when Assane Fakyn, Lebanese welter, was ruled out for butting.

NEUILLY, France—Aissa Hashas stopped Junior Cassidy in the ninth round after a rousing fight. Hashas was way ahead when he stopped a terrific left hook during the sixth and looked very shaky. He came back to lambast the Nigerian until his corner slung in the sponge. Marius Cordier defeated Jacky Thomas in a feathers six and heavyweight hope André Cartalas decked Max Brianto four times before the latter's corner signalled his retirement in the second round.

FALCONARA, Italy—Massimo Consolati knocked out Righeschi in the fourth round of a welter bout, though the latter claimed a blow in the kidneys. Ciro Patronelli defeated Umberto Urzi in a welter 8 and Luzzi nodded Massi in a lightweight debate.

BEAUSOLEIL, France—Giuseppe Cali, Italian flyweight, won from Henri Feugas of France, over 8 rounds.

ST. DIZIER—Mohamed Djendoubi fought his way to a draw with Michel Francois in a middles 8 while Jean Dantas had some difficulty in getting the better of Pedro Gomez Acebo in a lightweight 8.

MILAN, Italy—At the Lido, Benito Penna, 204, was decisioned by Freddie Mack, 180, the demonaic-looking American Negro, over 10 rounds but it was a close run thing for Mack.

Giuliano Nervino won from Marcello Santucci, whose retirement was caused by an injured optic, at the end of the sixth round. Sandro Schiavetta outfought southpaw Cataldo Iacca in a lightweight 6 and Vito della Foglie drew with Bruno Orsi in a welter 6.

The feathers tussle between Micciche and Calandro was stopped in the third and called a No Contest.

MADRID, Spain—At the Sports Palace, Fred Galiana won clearly over the game Italian, Nando Proietti, whose left eye was badly cut during the fourth round. Proietti was urged to retire in the sixth but continued, to lose over ten rounds.

Ramon Casal, nine days' wonder after beating Halimi, was given a lacing by Felix Alonso, taking four counts before being sent to his corner during the second round. Casal's bantam title was at stake.

Cesareo Barrera knocked out the Brazilian, Napoleao da Silva, in the 8th round with a right to the midriff followed by a left to the chin. Brilliant José Legra, the Cuban Flash, won over Miguel Calderin in a feathers 8.

LA SPEZIA, Italy—Carmelo Coscia, local feathers hope, scored an excellent success by outpointing Renato Galli over eight rounds in a fast-moving contest. Locorotondo again fought a draw with Ugo Fontana in a light-middles 6 and Tony Sassarini, 125, gained a dubious victory over the heavier Antonio Ferreira of Brazil over 8 rounds.

BLOIS, France—Guy Mastil, noted cruiser puncher, retired ignominiously in the fifth round of his bout with Joseph Juvillier after stopping a punch on the jaw. Mastil was slightly ahead and wasn't knocked down by the blow.

ST. NAZARE—Souleymane Diallo retained his middleweight title by knocking out Armand Vannucci in three rounds. Tremendous punches were exchanged until Diallo threw a blind left hook which landed right on the button.

Mezarek Limane was ruled out in the fifth round for butting Antoine Licausi, Tunisian feather.

ST. BRIEUC, France—Henri Corack was held to a draw after 8 rounds by the more experienced Berlin cruiser, Klaus Langhammer, though Klaus was outweighed by almost a stone.

SOISSONS—Raymond Dauteuille trimmed Emile Wuilmet in a feathers 8.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Europe's light-welter champion, Olli Maeki, 137, scored an unsatisfactory points win over Karl Furcht, 132, of Germany in a 10-rounder.

Lennart Risberg, 192, thumped out a points win over Ray Cillien, 192, of Luxembourg in 8 rounds and Bo Hoegberg, 157, decisioned Manfred Hass, 158, of Germany in a return clash, this time over 10 rounds.

Jan Persson, 117, knocked out Eusebio Mesa, a Spaniard now resident in Germany, in the fifth round. Attendance at the Royal Tennis Hall was 4,000 and the promoter was William Hamilton. Afterwards, Ingemar Johansson boxed an exhibition with Lars Norling.

PESARO, Italy—Federico Scarponi paid off Luigi Lucini for a previous defeat, one which cost him the bantam title, by knocking out the young battler from Cremona in eight rounds. Lucini, not on best form, was dropped in the fifth and in the eighth, Scarponi pounded his opponent to the ribs and then somehow clipped Lucini's jaw with his head. It was accidental but very effective.

Ciro Patronelli decisioned Assane Fakyh in a welter 8 and Luciano Lugli won from old warhorse Jean Ruellet of France in a middles 8. Ruellet busted the Italian's right eye as soon as the bout started but Lugli's superior punching power kept the vet from playing too much on the injured optic.

BARCELONA, Spain—Andres Navarro Moreno outfought useful Miguel Munoz in a middles 8 at the Gran Price and Rafael Fernandez won from Francisco Carreno in a bantam 8.

The week previous Antonio Torres upset Vicente Ferrando, defeating El Tigre in a welter 8.

CHIETE, Italy—A lively feathers scrap between Mario Sitri and Gaetano dos Santos was stopped in the second round when a butt to the face put Sitri out of action and the Brazilian was ruled out. Ricchetti stopped Brugnoni in the fourth heat of a lightweight duel, also due to cut eyes.

LUXEMBOURG—Ray Philippe, the Grand Duchy's middles star, was lucky to earn a draw against the Tunisian, El Jouini, after a 10-round maul. Philippe had Liston-trouble, a damaged left shoulder muscle will put him on the sidelines for two months.

Luigi del Bianco of Italy trounced Mohamed Tayeb, Tunisian welter, over 6 rounds.

UDINE, Italy—Aldo Battistutta was held to a draw by Niero in a welter.

MESTRE—Armando Pellarin, 144, defeated Carlo Pini, over 8.

AOSTA—Lightweight Silvio Bettoni won from Mario Inglese in the seventh when the latter was ruled out for butting.

NAPLES, Italy—Franco de Piccoli, 216, finally returned to action at the Sports Palace, where his opponent was the Danish champion, Carl Welschou 200. The blond Dane fought valiantly but lacked sufficient power to make use of Piccoli's evident rustiness. The Italian jackknifed Welschou with his murderous left hook to the liver in the opening round but the visitor got up at "8".

Welschou was decked in the second and in the third he attacked De Piccoli but was knocked through the ropes. Another left hook to the liver finished off Welschou in the fourth.

Franco Fiori, 162, also made a comeback, winning over tough Gino Rossi in 8 rounds and Fortunato Manca, 148, floored Ebe Mensah thrice in the first round and won over the Ghanian in 8. Domenico Orma won from Umberto Urzi in a welter eight.

RIMINI, Italy—Luciano Lugli knocked out Ali Belkacem of Algeria with a left hook to the chin in the fourth frame of a middleweight bout and Filippini trounced Bruno Pignolo in a cruiser six.

PARIS—At the Sports Palace, Francois Pavilla's unbeaten sequence nearly came to an end when he clashed with the former Cuban national, Angel Garcia, who seemed to gain a slight lead by the end of ten rounds milling. The result was a draw.

Jean Parra, useful bantam from Lyons, won over Hector Oliva in ten rounds and Bruno Fioretti drew with Michel Bisseux in a lightweight six.

HAMBURG, Germany—At the Ernst Merck Hall Olli Ritter, 215, was called on to test out the abilities of Wilhelm von Homburg, 179, who entered the ring looking like an all-in wrestler, with a mane of blond hair and a white dressing-gown. Ritter held the lead until the eighth, when a left hook floored him for a long count, a cut eye further restricted him and Homburg finished strongly. When a draw was announced Homburg put on a dramatic "I wuz robbed" scene. Most experts thought he had won.

Albert Westphal, 198, belted John Henry, 196, in another 10-rounder and Harry Kneipp drew with the Dutch cruiser, Baas van Duivenbode, over 6 rounds.

Helmut Ball, 178, was unlucky not to get the verdict over Rudi Nehring in a title-eliminator, decreed a draw after 8 rounds and Klaus Stockmann, 165, was favored with the decision over Nelis van Oostrum, 162, of Holland after 8 rounds.

INGOLSTADT, Germany—Klaus Jaeger, 127, disputed a furious scrap with Enzo Gianandrea over 10 rounds and looked like winning until he was dropped in the final round. Enzo got the verdict.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO JUNE 15, 1964)

HEAVIES
1. Karl Mildenberger (G)
2. Wim Snoek (H)
3. Gerhard Zech (G)
4. Piero Tomasoni (I)
5. Sante Amonti (I)
6. Benito Penna (I)
7. Benito Canal (S)
8. Giuseppe Migliari (I)
9. Albert Westphal (G)
10. Wilhelm von Homburg (G)

LIGHTHEAVIES
1. Gustav Scholz (G)
2. Giulio Rinaldi (I)
3. Pekka Kokkonen (FN)
4. Piero del Papa (I)
5. Yvan Prebeg (Y)
6. Peter Gumpert (G)
7. Paul Roux (F)
8. Helmut Ball (G)
9. Michel Vinit (F)
10. Benito Michelon (I)

MIDDLES
1. Lazlo Papp (HY)
2. Nino Benvenuti (I)
3. Luis Folledo (S)
4. Souleymane Diallo (F)
5. Bruno Santini (I)
6. Bo Hoegberg (SW)
7. Peter Mueller (G)
8. Sugar Boy Nando (H)
9. Jupp Elze (G)
10. Luciano Lugli (I)

LIGHT MIDDLES
1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Fabio Bettini (I)
3. Yoland Leveque (F)
4. Bruno Visintin (I)
5. Willi Niederau (G)
6. Chris Christensen (D)
7. Marcello Verziera (I)
8. Ray Philippe (L)
9. Mauri Backmin (FN)
10. Cesarei Barrera (S)

WELTERS
1. Francois Pavilla (F)
2. Claude Saluden (F)
3. Jean Josselin (F)
4. Fortunato Manca (I)
5. Domenico Tiberia (I)
6. Luciano Piazzi (I)
7. Nando Proietti (I)
8. Alfredo Parmeggiani (I)
9. Carmelo Garcia (S)
10. Giuliano Nervino (I)

LIGHT WELTERS
1. Olli Maeki (FN)
2. Angel Garcia (F)
3. Conny Rudhof (G)
4. Fred Galiana (S)
5. Giordano Campari (I)
6. Fernand Nollet (F)
7. Sandro Lopopulo (I)
8. Efrem Donati (I)
9. Massimo Consolati (I)
10. Aissa Hashas (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Willi Quatuor (G)
2. Michele Gullotti (I)
3. Franco Brondi (I)
4. Léon Zadourian (F)
5. Juan Alborno (S)
6. Mohamed ben Said (F)
7. Aldo Pravisani (I)
8. Daniel Deneux (F)
9. Roger Prigent (F)
10. Juan Cabrera (S)

FEATHERS
1. Lino Mastellaro (I)
2. Jean Rénard (B)
3. Yves Desmarets (F)
4. Mario Sitri (I)
5. Felice Becco (I)
6. Antoine Martin (F)
7. Michel Atlan (F)
8. Alberto Serti (I)
9. Miguel Calderin (S)
10. Giovanni Casti (I)

BANTAMS
1. Risto Luukkonen (FN)
2. Mimun ben Ali (S)
3. Piero Rollo (I)
4. Jean Parra (F)
5. Tommaso Galli (I)
6. Giuseppe Linzalone (I)
7. Pierre Vetroff (F)
8. Nevio Carbi (I)
9. Federico Scarponi (I)
10. Luigi Lucini (I)
Michel Lemora (F)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. René Libéer (F)
3. Pierre Rossi (F)
4. Kamara Diop (F)
5. Jean-Claude Leroy (F)
6. Fritz Chervet (SD)
7. Giuseppe Cali (I)
8. Luis Rodriguez (S)
9. Raton Osuna (S)
10. Gerd Berkhout (H)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; L Luxembourg; S Spain; SW Sweden; SD Switzerland; Y Yugoslavia.

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Joey Basilio (left) poses with his cousin Billy Backus. On these two youngsters Joey's older brother Carmen, former welter and middleweight champion, is pinning his hopes to bring back boxing to the Upstate New York sector where he has been promoting for the past few months.

UPSTATE NEW YORK NEWS
By Charles Kesse

▸ In Utica, the first professional fight card in many years was held. This show was promoted by the Canastota Boxing Club.

Billy Backus, 140, Canastota, won the 10 rounds decision over Colin Fraser 139, Toronto.

Dick DiVeronica, 145½, Philadelphia, won the decision in 10 rounds over Larry Wright, 146, Brooklyn.

Sam Samuels 163, Philadelphia scored a knockout over Horace Carroll 166, Syracuse, in four.

Jimmy Meilleur 158½, Toronto, knocked out John Abdou 160½, Utica, in four rounds.

Ike Silks, 146½, Philadelphia, scored a one round knockout over Sebby Abbate, 142, Watertown.

Jerry Mathews, 124½, Philadelphia, won in six over George Lopes 127½, Syracuse.

▸ We must give credit to the Canastota Boxing Club and Carman Basilio, for bringing professional boxing back to upstate New York, although their shows have not drawn too well.

▸ Lloyd Washington, Bernie Blacher's young heavyweight from Buffalo, traveled to Painesville, Ohio, and lost a 10 round decision to Billy Joiner, the undefeated heavyweight from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Then, at Akron, Ohio, Lloyd lost a 6 round decision to Mack Harrison. Harrison is the Ring magazine's May issue heavyweight prospect of the month. Although Lloyd lost both, he is a very rugged and pleasing fighter.

▸ Horace Carroll of Syracuse, Irv Robbins classy middleweight traveled to London, Ont., Canada and scored a 2 round knockout over Stan O'Donohue.

▸ Frank Verna Sr., Rochester manager, has a very good looking middleweight in Tony Romano who won his first professional fight after a sensational amateur career.

▸ Fighters and managers in Upstate New York please send boxing news and results to me at 19 Shaver Street, Sodus, New York.

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli

▸ At first a loser and then winner, George Benton left the ring a beaten and disgusted fighter at the Arena but was later summoned from his dressing room five minutes later to accept a reversed decision making him the Pennsylvania State middleweight champion in his bout with Pittsburgh's Johnny Morris.

It was announced that the judges had split their vote in the 12-round rematch as follows: Judge Nick Spano, 58-51 for Benton; Judge Nate Lopinson, 56-54 for Morris and referee Pete Tpmasco, 55-54 for Morris. But one of Benton's handlers, Joe Polino, asked to see the score cards and discovered an error on the referee's card and this was brought to the attention of Commissioner Frank Wildman and it was ruled that the referee actually had scored it, 56-55 for Benton, enabling George to win the state middleweight championship and a chance for a shot at Joey Giardello's world title.

The fight was close all the way with Morris' superior jabbing and moving around the ring in evasive moves which had earned him a win over Joey in their previous meeting last November in Pittsburgh. Benton, however had more authority in his blows and kept chasing Morris around the ring all through the fight.

The contest promoted by promoter Lou Lucchessi drew $11,398 gross.

A record for boxing was set in the semi-final. It was scored a knockout in 3 minutes and 10 seconds of the first round for Sonny Banks, Detroit, 200 pounder, over Philadelphian Don Warner, 198. This was the longest round on record for the bell rang as Banks sent a right to Warner's jaw and Warner fell flat on his back. The count went on despite the bell under a rule instituted last year. Warner was getting to his feet when it was over.

King David, Israeli welterweight, landed a punch and then gave young Joe Brown, 139, a shove as the bell ended the second round. Again as in the windup, with the count going to 10 after the bell had ended the second round for a knockout.

Walker Simmons, 170, Phila. stopped Ray Staples, 175, Reading, in the sixth round, Philadelphia's Jackie Lennon, 137, fought a six-round draw with Trenton's Tom Goss, 138 pounds.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

It seems that the success of the Pete Rademacher Boxing Promotions in upper Ohio would stir some lively boxing soul in the Cincinnati area to throw an offer to Pete, to bring his promotional efforts to the Queen City.

Every city that Rademacher has promoted–Akron, Medina, Wooster, etc. has turned out good all around, pleasing programs which have suddenly added fire to the interest of fans in that area.

Rademacher's fame is spreading. The latest to hand out the stem to promote, is the northwest and Pete would go there with a big one, if the knots get tied. This would be a light heavyweight title bout between Willie Pastrano and Eddie Cotton the Seattle favorite.

Meanwhile here in Cincinnati the Dick Christmas Promotions, which have their license from the City Commission, still has not come forward with any plans or announcements to promote.

The weekly boxing letter still is going good. Anyone interested at ten dollars per year, can contact me at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

Middleweight champion Joey Giardello, won a very close decision over Juan "Rocky" Rivero in their return match at the Cleveland Arena, May 22nd. Giardello got away to a good early start but weakened in the closing rounds. Referee Mike Minnich and the two judges voted for the champion. The decision was unpopular.

The gate was $16,000 and the bout was nationally televised. Larry Atkins, plans to continue both boxing and wrestling shows at the arena.

Walter Moore, who has promoted wrestling for more than twenty years has closed up for the summer.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By LEW ESKIN

A turnout of better than 2,000 fans paid $6,543 to watch the boxing show staged for the B'nai B'rith of Hillside under the direction of onetime welterweight contender from Newark, Lou Halper at the Elizabeth Armory.

With the exception of the main bout the show was an exciting one. The top bout sent Joe Louis Adiar, 160, Elizabeth, against the veteran Holly Mims, 161, of Washington, D.C.

Adjar took advantage of his opportunities and by keeping the pressure on Mims who turned in a lacklustre performance he was able to record a major upset by stopping Holly in 20 seconds of the sixth round due to a deep and bloody cut over the left eye which was opened in the final moments of the fifth round.

It was the first time in his career of over 90 bouts that Mims failed to last the limit.

Holly who showed very little was bleeding profusely when referee Paul Cavilere called a halt. In all probability the cut was caused by a butt, however Adair was ahead when the fight was stopped and appeared in command.

Two old rivals, Elizabeth's Richie Gonzalez, 127, and Kenilworth's Ted Pick, 131, renewed their feud and belted away at each other for the full six rounds. Both were staggered a few times, but Richie was in command all the way to gain referee Allie Todesco's nod.

The only knockdown of the night was scored by Len Campbell, 156½, Westfield, over portly Joe Williams, 159, Montclair, in the second round. Len had a big edge over the-too-fat Williams but had to settle for a draw.

In other bouts Andy Hamilton, 160, Paterson outscored Frank Simmons, 162, Newark, 4; and two former world welterweight champions acted as guest referees.

Barney Ross voted for Don (Honey Boy) Whitney, 165, Washington over Don Turner, 166, New York after six pleasing rounds and Freddie (Red) Cochrane gave his nod to George Cahill, 167, Paramus over Johnny McKinnon, 165, East Orange after four rounds. Cahill making his first start since returning from the Army showed the effects of his long layoff.

The 29th Annual VBA Ring #1 dinner in Philadelphia drew a full house. Among the honored guests, left to right, are former featherweight champion Benny Bass, Rocky Castellani, Dr. John Mealey, Aldo Spoldi, Packey O'Gatty, Charlie Fusari, Joe Guinan and Jack McKinney. Standing behind Bass and Castellani is Deputy Boxing Commissioner Mike Schuman.

V.B.A. ROUNDUP
By Packey O'Gatty

▸ The 29th Mother's Day Dinner, Philadelphia VBA Ring #1, at Palumbo's for the Welfare Fund was a success. The new President, Tony Strazzeri, is doing a wonderful job. Jack McKinney mceed the show.

Benny Bass, former featherweight and junior lightweight champion; Rocky Castellani, welter-middleweight nemesis; and Dr. Johnny Mealey, former feather-lightweight contender of the Philly six-round days, were elected to the Pennsylvania Boxing Hall of Fame. They received scrolls made by Dave Ferris. Bernard L. Lemisch, legal adviser of Ring #1, also got a scroll. . . . Joe Guinan, President of the National VBA and Joe McGuigan, editor of The Veteran Boxer, were splendid hosts. . . . Aldo Spoldi, President of San Diego's VBA Ring #24 flew in for the affair, and the next day took off for a two months' vacation in Italy.

Among those present were Frank Weiner, Harry Pegg, Charley Fusari, Georgie Katz, "Pep" Barone, Nat Frank, Frankie Nelson, Vince Handley, Stanley Poreda, Tommy and Bobby Brady, Jack Larkin, Joe Sweeney, Charley Ettinger, Irv Abramson, Jimmy Smith, Joe Kid Murphy, Prince Henry, Al Frazee, and Pat Bradley.

▸ President Lew Eskin's Ninth Annual Installation Dinner-Dance, VBA Ring #9, Passaic and Bergen County, honoring Al Del Greco, Sports Editor of The Record; Sal Scozzaro and Ernie Schuster, at Suburban Restaurant, Paramus, N. J. was tops. The place was jammed to capacity and the music and entertainment by Joe De Marco Quartet and Roy Dexter kept all happy. Sam Taub, "The Voice of Boxing," did a terrific job as mcee. Present were Tony Galento, Charley Fusari, Jersey Jones, former U.S. Marshall Joe Job, Tony Marenghi, Joey and Jimmy Archer. Paul Berlenbach and his right-arm, Joe Marlin, Joe Guinan and his first lady Anna who is President of Ring #1 Ladies Auxiliary; Hiley Eskin, first lady of Ring #9; Tony Strazzeri, Stanley Poreda, Pat Conte, Irv Silverman, Tommy and Bobby Brady, Irv Abramson, Joe Lovas, Neil McLaughlin, Johnny Clark, Al Reid, Frankie Nelson, Phil Dorn, Willie Mack, Battling Odin Dudrich, Frankie Ritchie, and Frankie (Sperduto) Madden.

▸ National Veteran Boxer's Charters for member VBA Rings are being sent out by President Joe Guinan. Those who were lucky to be near Galento at the VBA Ring #9 affair, got souvenir buttons which show him with a cigar in his mouth with the following inscription: "Tony Galento For President. Prohibition Party's Choice."

Texas Veteran Boxer's Ass'n San Antonio Ring #1, is now well organized, with 15 Charter Members and a group of 45. First Presient is Guy Turpin; Vice President, Frankie Limon; Secretary-Treasurer, Jack Wallace; on the Board of Directors—Chairman, Bob Clark; Willard Brown; Tex Alsbury; Henry Moreno; Delos Finch Jr.; and Nando Flores. The club's address is 1010 West Gramercy Place, San Antonio (1), Texas.

▸ Newark's VBA Ring #25, Babe Orlando and Johnny Alessio, are over their "Cabin-house-fever." Counsellor Michael Breithopf and President Charley Fusari made them make up.

▸ Death has claimed the wife of Kid Herman, who operates a newsstand at 42nd Street and Seventh Ave. (Herman is a member of Ring #1); and Jack Kid Cotton, Troy ex-welterweight at the age of 103. . . . Jack DeMave, past president of Ring #14, is recuperating. Lost an eye at Jersey City Medical Centre. . . . Another member of Ring #14, Young Jeff, is in St. Claire's Hospital in New York, operated on for a cataract in his left eye. Benny Kauffman, VBA Ring #1, is in a Philadelphia hospital, and Ray Meyers, N.Y. Ring #8, in Wickersham Hospital, suffering from a heart ailment.

Irv Silverman, President of New York's VBA #8, announces that its 11th Annual Dinner Dance will be held on November 7, at Grand Street Boys Ass'n. Honoring the retired undefeated world heavyweight champion, Rocky Marciano; Sam Taub, "The Voice of Boxing," and Dr. Irving J. Thorne, VBA Medical Director and Benefactor.

Mickey Walker, "The Toy Bull-dog," former World Welter and Middleweight Champion, will be the next one to be elected to the World Boxing Historians Hall of Fame, soon as President Vince Handley gets settled in his new home, 40 South Market Street, Duncannon, Pennsylvania. . . . Jo Handley is going to start a Ladies Auxiliary Club of WBHA. She was recently made very happy when their son Mike who is in the Signal School at Fort Gordon spent his ten days furlough with them.

Barney Ross, World War II hero and former world boxing champ, a guest of Irv Silverman, at Sears-Roebuck, Fordham Road, where they sponsored a boxing night for employees.

▸ New York State Athletic Commission's referee Johnny Conlon has joined New York VBA Ring #8.

▸ Floyd "Red" Taylor's annual dinner for his old time boxer-pals in his home at Santa Clara, Cal., was the last word.

Tom Heeney, the New Zealand heavyweight who fought Gene Tunney in his last title defense bout, has sold his bistro in Florida. . . . Frankie De Meyer, VBA Ring #21 (Brooklyn), is up from St. Petersburg, Fla., where he now makes his home.

Nig Normart, 80-year-old gladiator of the Pacific Coast 40-round days, misses his eight cigars a day since his illness.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
By Jack Levinson

The Virginia Athletic Commission suspended Ernest Tomlinson, Washington, D.C., featherweight for 90 days and fined him $125 for "Not putting forth his best efforts" in a scheduled 10 round bout, held in Norfolk, with Calvin Woodland, on March 11th, at the Municipal Auditorium. Tomlinson boxed in Norfolk, under the name of "Ernie Thomas."

▸ Ex-Amateur and professional star boxer, Carl "Piggy" Hutchins, made a successful debut, as the promoter and matchmaker at the Richmond Arena. About 1500 fans saw 160 pounder Joey Archer of Bronx, N. Y., win a unanimous 10-round decision over Gaylord Barnes, 156, of Trenton, N. J. The bout afforded Archer nothing more than a pay-day workout. Archer's record now stands 41 wins in 42 bouts.

Rudy Robinson, 169, of Richmond, stopped the previously undefeated Billy Crowder, 171, of Petersburg in the 4th round. The bout was scheduled for 6 rounds.

Dave Brown, 190, of Clemson College, made his professional debut, by winning a TKO over Bob Spaulding, 193, of New York, in 1:53 of the 3rd round. The bout was billed for 6 rounds.

George Bishop of Petersburg decisioned Jim Felder of New York in 4 rounds. Peter Bufala of Chester, won a 4th rd. decision over Johnny Howard of Richmond and Brad Silas of Washington scored a 3 round TKO over Jose Myers of Chester.

▸ In the May issue, through a typographical error, the last line of my report on the Pete Bufala vs. Billy Webster fight has Webster winner. The winner instead was Bufala. The referee stopped the fight in the second round.

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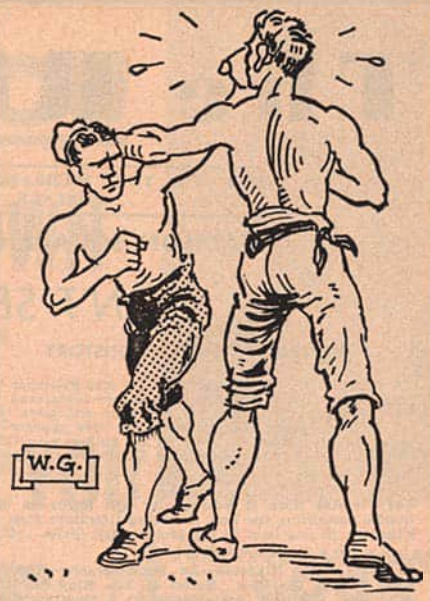

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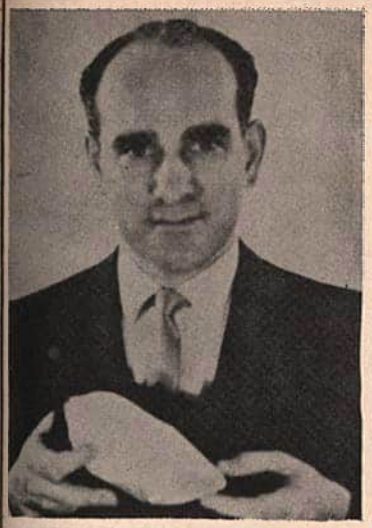

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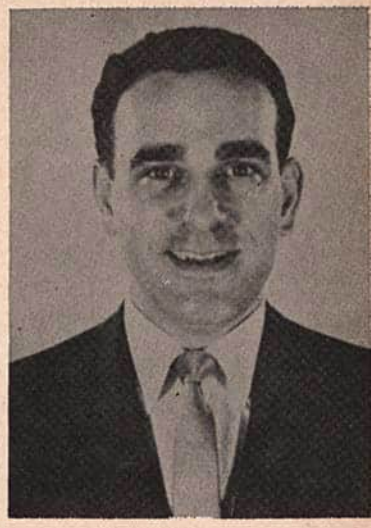

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